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The Honorable Stephen Shurtleff  
Speaker of the House  
New Hampshire House of Representatives  
107 North Main Street  
Concord, NH 03301

The Honorable Donna Soucy  
President of the Senate  
New Hampshire Senate  
107 North Main Street  
Concord, NH 03301

## RE: Support Veto Override for House Bill 664

Dear Speaker Shurtleff and President Soucy:

I represent the Automotive Service Association (ASA). ASA is the largest not-for-profit trade association of its kind dedicated to and governed by independent automotive service and repair professionals. ASA serves an international membership base that includes numerous affiliates, state and chapter groups from both the mechanical and collision repair segments of the automotive industry. We are writing today in support of the legislature overriding Governor Sununu's veto of House Bill 664.

House Bill 664 addresses original equipment manufacturer (OEM) repair procedures for collision repairs. ASA supports the use of OEM repair procedures in collision repair facilities. OEM repair procedures are the logical repair processes to be followed and help ensure the proper repair of the vehicle. To be clear, ASA does not support the use of OEM parts only. ASA's interest is in requiring the industry to adhere to a set of repair procedures that assure the best opportunity for vehicle safety on our highways.

ASA also supports a competitive parts marketplace. We do not believe HB 664 harms any segment of the collision repair industry. Insurer-repairer-consumer policy reforms for vehicle property and casualty insurance are frequently touted by some as impacting insurance rates for consumers. ASA does not believe this legislation will impact insurance rates. All segments of the collision repair industry should support quality, safe repairs. Establishing a baseline of expected repair procedures is a step towards quality, safe repairs for the motoring public.

ASA supports a veto override for House Bill 664. Please call on us if we can provide additional information.

Sincerely,

Robert L. Redding, Jr.

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