

## Governmental Affairs

Committee

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#### Mission Statement

■ To provide state and federal regulatory and legislative information to the Collision Industry.



## State Legislative Update

- Insurer Owned Shop Legislation
  - ◆ Washington HB 1113
  - ♦ Nevada AB 1949
- Other Insurance Legislation
  - ◆ Minnesota SF 1542
  - ♦ Minnesota HF 1949



- Salvage Legislation
  - ♦ Missouri SB 82
- Right to Repair Legislation
  - ◆ Florida SB 2890
  - ◆ Maine LD 1210
  - ◆ New Jersey AB 931
  - ◆ Nevada SB 379
  - ◆ New York AB 5817
  - ◆ Oklahoma HB 1584



## Federal Legislative Update

- Total Loss Legislation
  - ◆ Senate Bill 545
    - introduced by Senator Trent Lott
  - ◆ House Bill 1029
    - introduced by Representative Cliff Stearns



- McCarran-Ferguson Legislation
  - ◆ Legislation to Repeal the McCarran-Ferguson Act
    - ♦ House Bill 1082
      - Introduced by Representative Peter DeFazio
    - Senate Bill 618
      - Introduced by Senator Patrick Leahy



### Regulatory Update

- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
  - ◆ Automotive Refinishing Regulation
- Ozone Transport Commission
  - Auto Refinish Coatings Proposed Control Measure



## Legislative Process

#### **Tracking Legislation**

www.multistate.com/Site.nsf/G\_L?OpenPage Find legislative information for each state

www.TakingTheHill.com

Generate letters to State and Federal Legislators

http://thomas.loc.gov

View and Track Federal Legislation



## Contacting your Legislator

#### Telephone:

Find your legislators' numbers by calling the U.S. Capitol Switchboard at (202)224-3121.

Ask to speak with the aide who handles the issue about which you wish to comment.

After identifying yourself, tell the aide you would like to leave a brief message, such as: "Please tell Senator/Representative (Name) that I support/oppose (S.\_\_\_/H.R.\_\_\_)."

You will also want to state reasons for your support or opposition to the bill. Ask for your senators' or representative's position on the bill. You may also request a written response to your telephone call.



#### Email or Written Correspondence:

Your purpose for writing should be stated in the first paragraph of the letter. If your letter pertains to a specific piece of legislation, identify it accordingly, e.g., House bill: H. R. \_\_\_\_, Senate bill: S.\_\_\_\_.

Be courteous, to the point, and include key information, using examples to support your position.

Address only one issue in each letter; and, if possible, keep the letter to one page.

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