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RIGHT TO REPAIR STATEMENT ON AUTOMAKERS AND DEALERS TRYING TO USE LEGISLATURE TO THWART THE WILL OF THE VOTERS

AUTOMAKERS ALREADY TRYING TO OVERTURN LAW VIA PENDING FEDERAL LAWSUIT, DESPITE 75% OF THEIR CUSTOMERS VOTING FOR CONSUMER PROTECTION MEASURE AT BALLOT IN 2020

Boston---The Massachusetts Right to Repair Coalition today issued the following statement in opposition to HB365 and HB4000, two bills filed in the Massachusetts Legislature that would amend the automotive Right to Repair law overwhelmingly approved by voters in November of 2020:

"After spending \$26 million only to be resoundingly defeated at the ballot box, the big automakers and dealers still don't get it. Massachusetts consumers have spoken, and the law now gives them the right to control their own repair data so that they can get their car fixed where they want. However, instead of listening to their customers and attempting to comply with the ballot initiative, automakers and dealers filed a baseless, anti-democratic lawsuit. Now, they are again trying to thwart the will of the voters and "kick the can down road" by using the Legislature to delay the law's deadlines. We hope and expect that the Legislature will honor the will of their constituents, who voted by a 75% majority for Right to Repair."

Tommy Hickey, Director, Massachusetts Right to Repair Coalition

The Massachusetts Right to Repair Coalition represents more than 4,000 members statewide, including independent repair shops, Massachusetts auto parts stores, the Alliance of Automotive Service Providers of Massachusetts, the New England Tire and Service Association, Automotive Recyclers of Massachusetts, and the Automotive Oil Change Association.