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## Senator Markey Introduces Legislation Mandating States Link Recalls With Vehicle Registration

Earlier today Senator Edward Markey (D-MA) introduced legislation that would mandate state motor vehicle agencies notify motor vehicle owners in their state of all safety recall information for their vehicle at the time of registration. The act also requires owners to complete all applicable safety recalls as a prerequisite for motor vehicle registration renewal.

States are provided exceptions to the mandate on remedying a recall prior to registration renewals if:

- The motor vehicle owner had not been notified of the safety recall on or before the date on which the owner was notified of the need to renew the registration;
- The manufacturer, through a local dealership, has not provided the motor vehicle owner with a reasonable opportunity to complete any applicable safety recall remedy due to a shortage of a necessary part or qualified labor; or
- The owner has had no reasonable opportunity to complete all applicable safety recall remedies, in which case the state may grant a temporary registration, of up to 60 days, during which time the motor vehicle owner shall complete all applicable safety recall remedies.

If this bill becomes law, motor vehicle agencies would be responsible for identifying and comparing every motor vehicle recall with affected vehicle populations, notifying the appropriate owners, and associating acceptable safety recall remediation with the vehicle registration process. Unsuccessful fulfillment would mean denial of registration transactions to customers. The bill states that noncompliant states could face a five percent withholding of federal

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AAMVA is directly engaged with Senator Markey's office to ensure they are considering the impacts on state business requirements and alternative approaches to leveraging DMV processes to achieve safety outcomes. More information will be provided as the legislation develops.

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