Hello,

I applaud the Government, Treasury and the ACCC in their efforts to address the issue of Car service and repair information being made available to Australian mechanics.

I must say though, I am a little disappointed in your current Consultation Paper, as it seems to go over old ground (this has been going on for years) and it seems to have ignored some of the recommendations in the ACCC review/report from last year.

Any Code should be MANDATORY under the Competition and Consumer Act 2010 and it should definitely have penalties for non-compliance (as recommended by the ACCC)

The code should follow the conditions set up in the USA (Massachusetts "Right to Repair" bill.) and if the car industry has a real interest in consumer safety, they should fully cooperate and make available ALL service and repair information for ALL vehicles. If a dealership apprentice has access, why can't a highly experienced, qualified and competent independent mechanic get the same ??

Importantly, the notion of 'recommended' parts is concerning. My business works with hundreds of independent workshops and we have been fighting mis-information for a long time. This requirement would set our industry back substantially.

Thanks again for your efforts in creating a fair and level playing field, one that protects the interests of CAR OWNERS, not foreign car companies.

Your sincerely

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