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# URGENT LEGISLATIVE ALERT

Hello Car Guys & Gals,

As you may know the ACCC with the help of Senator Gaines (R) Roseville has introduced legislation (SB1239) that will exempt 1980 & older collector cars & trucks from the biennial smog inspection. Currently 1976 & older are exempt and we want to expand that to 1980 & older.

There are many 1976 through 1980 Corvettes, Mustangs, Mopars, etc. and we want to relieve these car folks from the costly and we feel unnecessary smog inspections.

The bill is scheduled to be heard March 22, 2016 at 1:30 PM in the Senate Transportation & Housing Committee at the State Capitol in the John L. Burton Hearing Room, Room 4203 and we invite all car guys & gals to attend. In the meantime, to get this bill passed, we need your help. A campaign of letter writing, emails, and phones calls will help in getting this done.

See information below with email addresses; phone numbers; and a copy of a letter that you can personalize and mail into the Senate Trans Committee. Thank you and please contact me with questions and/or concerns...Rex Roden President-ACCC acccpres@gmail.com

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**Here's copy of the Letter – Be sure to personalize.**

Senator Jim Beall -Chair and Members of the  
Senate Transportation & Housing Committee  
State Capitol, Room 2209  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Subject: Support (SB1239 Gaines)

Dear Senator Beall and Committee Members,

The California Legislature has previously recognized that annual smog checks should not be required for autos that are so old that virtually all remaining & registered vehicles are owned and operated as collector and classic cars and trucks. Prior to 2004, there was a thirty year rolling exemption – that is, any vehicle whose model year was older than 30 years were exempt from the annual smog inspection. In 2004, the Legislature moved the exemption date to 1976.

As collectors of older model cars, the Association of California Car Club (ACCC) members believe the 1976 date is arbitrary. There are models built after that date that are still popular to this day such as late seventies and early eighties Corvettes, Mustangs, and Mopars. There are few of these cars that were made thirty years ago, but they are well taken care of and driven sparingly. These type of vehicles are normally insured with collector insurance and have mileage restrictions dictated by the insurance company and have little or no negative impact on the environment.

ACCC estimates that there are about 162,000 vehicles with model years covered by this bill. Compared to the roughly 27 million motor vehicles in California, this bill will provide an exemption for just over one-half of one percent of vehicles on the road today. Requiring a costly smog inspection only adds to the already high cost of owning and maintaining such a vehicle and feel that it's purely a revenue collecting regulation. The Association of California Car Clubs and the SEMA Action Network would like to expand the exemption to add 1980 & older cars and trucks.

Classic and collector cars & trucks are a unique part of California's history and need to be preserved. This bill will offer a common-sense way to encourage that these vehicles remain on display for all to see, drive, and enjoy. The ACCC representing over 10,000 members statewide encourage your support on this much needed legislation.

Sincerely,

Your Name

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