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**Honorable Bert Johnson
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RE: HB6060 and HB6061

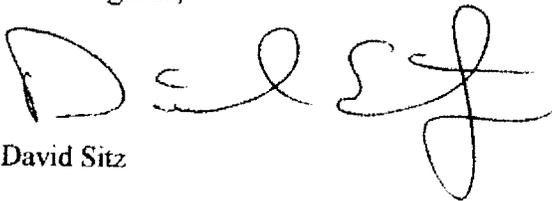
Dear Representative Johnson,

Nationwide respectfully submits this letter in support on HB6060 and HB 6061. Current law restricts the buying of salvage and scrap vehicles at salvage pools to only auto recyclers, used vehicle parts dealers and foreign salvage vehicle dealers who have a Salvage Vehicle Agent License. These bills would open up the marketplace to competition which would help increase the return on salvage which in turn would help insurance companies hold premiums down.

This legislation would make a positive contribution toward the insurance-buying public in general and Nationwide customers in particular because it would allow competition in the salvage marketplace. Although Nationwide is aware its passage is uncertain, we wanted you to know of Nationwide's support.

Under the bills, only licensed and regulated buyers would be authorized to buy salvage and scrap vehicles. The general public would not be authorized to purchase such vehicles. The bills do not change the current titling law or environmental regulations. The sales of these vehicles are reported to the National Motor Vehicle Title Information System. This database, along with other laws and regulations, are in place to deter title fraud and VIN "washing" and to combat auto theft. The bills do nothing to change these public safety and law enforcement efforts.

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David Sitz". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letter "D" being large and prominent. The rest of the name is written in a continuous, flowing script.

David Sitz