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Senators,

Today I am returning Enrolled Senate Bill 659 to you without my approval.

This bill would supplement the Department of State's no-cost used automobile dealership prelicensure training program with a regulated system of third-party trainings. As written, the bill would put additional administrative burdens on the department while prohibiting it from collecting any fees to pay for the new mandates. Furthermore, the bill provides excessively brief deadlines for application review, undermining the department's ability to monitor the quality and efficacy of the proposed program.

For the foregoing reasons, I am vetoing this bill. However, I would be willing to work with the Legislature to design a workable structure that allows third-parties to conduct used automobile dealership prelicensure trainings.

Respectfully,

Gretchen Whitmer

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Governor