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## **NCOIL COMMITTEE UNANIMOUSLY PASSES STRONG CONSUMER CRASH PARTS RESOLUTION**

WASHINGTON, DC. — Jack Gillis, Executive Director of the Certified Automotive Parts Association (CAPA) today commended NCOIL's Property Casualty Committee for unanimously passing a landmark resolution supporting right and need for a high quality, competitive collision repairs parts marketplace. "The American consumer can look forward to positive state action to open the markets to increased competition and fairer prices when it comes to collision repairs," stated Gillis.

NCOIL has urged state legislative and other leaders throughout the country "to help promote competition in the collision repair industry."

Gillis lauded the committee for their recognition that consumers need more choice and high quality parts. "Thanks to the hard work of Representative George Keiser, ND, Chairman of the Property Casualty Insurance Committee and Senator Pam Redfield, NE, Chairperson of the Special Subcommittee, the states now have a blueprint for moving forward and protecting consumers from both poor quality parts and monopolistic pricing," said Gillis.

"Not only do consumers win when their cars are repaired using quality parts at competitive prices, but the collision repair industry gets more cars to repair because fairly priced parts don't 'total' out cars," Gillis said.

NCOIL's resolution states that the *use of these parts fosters a competitive environment that leads to lower repair costs and fewer totaled vehicles—to the benefit of consumers, collision repair facilities, and insurers.* By encouraging the use of certified parts (among the other parts available) the NCOIL property casualty committee resolution has "recognized the need for high quality, fairly priced crash parts," Gillis said. "After working for over five years, NCOIL has clearly addressed the need to protect consumers from both poor quality crash parts and the high prices that result from little or no competition," Gillis added.

*The Certified Automotive Parts Association, founded in 1987, is the nation's only independent, non-profit, third party crash parts quality certification organization. CAPA certification identifies, for both consumers and the industry, those parts that meet our high quality standards for fit, form, finish, material content and corrosion resistance. For more information see [www.CAPAcertified.org](http://www.CAPAcertified.org).*

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