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Senator Leone, Representative Baram, Representative Carter, Senator Witkos and members of the General Law Committee,

I am Senator Rob Kane and I am testifying in favor of Senate Bill No.99: AN ACT REQUIRING AUTOMOBILE DEALERS TO PROVIDE PURCHASERS WITH A COPY OF THE MAGNUSON-MOSS WARRANTY ACT.

The bill before you aims to better protect consumers across Connecticut by providing them with key information with regard to their vehicle warranties. In my experience, I have found that motor vehicle owners are often under the false impression that the aftermarket installation of products in their vehicles by companies other than their car dealer will void the warranty of their vehicle. That false impression can influence vehicle owners' decision-making and have a negative impact on small businesses here in Connecticut which provide those installation services.

In order to clarify this issue, this bill would require the car dealer to notify the consumer of his or her rights under the Magnuson-Moss Warranty Act. By adding this clarification into state law, we can make sure motor vehicle buyers are aware of what their warranties cover. At the same time, this clarity will serve to help small businesses who perform installation services here in Connecticut.

Thank you for your consideration of Senate Bill 99.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rob Kane", written in a cursive style.

State Senator Rob Kane
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