## Short Comment Regarding a Proposed Exemption Under 17 U.S.C. 1201

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Proposed Class 21: Vehicle Software Diagnosis, Repair, or Modification SUPPORT FOR EXCEPTION FOR PUBLIC TO DIAGNOIS, REPAIR, OR MODIFY AUTOMOTIVE SOFTWARE!!!

## **Statement Regarding Proposed Exemption**

This is a testimony of my time at Champion Audi; an experience that DISGUSTS ME..! While vehicles are under warranty I was told to over look any issue the customer isn't complaining about until the vehicle is OUT OF WARRENTY; that said auto makers should NOT be trusted...

While there as a tech; everyday we have to use the scan tool & more often spend an hour or more updating the "computers" of the car because of tech service bulletin or TSBs this is done so manufacturers can fix major issues before public notices & complain & recalls or lawsuits issued on the car makers because fact is cars are made much cheaper today than in the past as far as quality goes, A LOT of CVT transmission in various car makers models had awful shifting issues I was always updating the TCM in the cars; so now I ask this panel to ask yourselves who is going to fix your car once the dealership NO LONGER HAS TO SUPPORT IT BY LAW?

Currently a maker only has to support a car w/ parts for what 5 or 10 years tops after final production run; so cars built for a year or 2 have a 7-12 year "support" span..? That is INSANE!!

Taking this capability away from individuals is flat out a crime; its like when china made people collect poop & punished them for not pooping; we buy cars to commute to slave & pay taxes which keeps the industry rolling giving the criminal auto makers more control is INSANITY!

Also fact is the car makers do NOT own the "computers" at all other companies like bosch, dana, etc. made the ecu electronics & over the year the car maker bought into those companies...

Buying a car is like buying computer parts you buy all the part put together the pc that you own & then choose what software to RUN THE MACHINE; this is the same thing; people buy cars to express passion for an american past time in most cases racing which mind you auto makers have always stolen the ideas of hot roddders to later put into the cars themselves for profit, so in essence tuners remap the ignition setting so the machine runs how the owner/operator wants...

People have taken cars -NOT MANUFACUERS- like the prius – or better yet guys like Carrol Shelby before ford bought him up- to new levels because of software & other tuning rules like the ones in place is what is killing america & the people wanting to move this nation forward in ingenuity; you people are destroying the people & this nation w/ the senseless hindering laws that only affect emerging competition that the corps do not like...

If this panel gives the power to the big car makers; I hope you all loose your jobs & rot in hell for helping to destroy this nation and all it has been founded on..!