

July 9, 2015

Senator Charles E. Schumer
SH-322 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510-3202

Dear Senator Schumer:

I write to offer Honda's support for S. 1173, the Raechel and Jacqueline Houck Safe Rental Car Act of 2015.

Honda North America's Executive Vice President, Rick Schostek, announced our support of the legislation during his testimony before the Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee on June 23, 2015. As a manufacturer of motor vehicles, we are responsible for the safety of our products. Despite our best efforts, from time to time it becomes necessary to recall a vehicle to remedy a system or component that may not meet the level of intended safety performance. When this occurs, we strive to locate all of our customers with an affected vehicle and urge them to bring their vehicle to our dealers for repair at their earliest convenience.

As a matter of corporate policy, Honda generally does not sell its vehicles to rental car fleets. However, our dealers are free to do so, which means that some Honda and Acura vehicles do end up in rental car fleets. Additionally, some rental car companies purchase older vehicles in the used car market. As such, we believe S.1173 will facilitate our ability to repair these vehicles and assist us in protecting our customers and those who drive our vehicles.

We congratulate you and your colleagues for sponsoring this important legislation.

Sincerely,



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Cc: Senator Barbara Boxer
Senator Claire McCaskill
Senator Kristen Gillibrand
Senator Robert Casey, Jr.
Senator Dianne Feinstein
Senator Richard Blumenthal
Senator Bill Nelson