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CAWA- Representing the Automotive Parts Industry

CAWA Has Another Successful Year Representing Arizona Members before State Legislature

MAY 19, 2014 – PHOENIX – CAWA’s Legislative team reports another successful year of defending business regulations and promoting the automotive aftermarket industry before the Arizona Legislature.

CAWA tracked 20 legislative proposals that could have an impact on the aftermarket industry and small business and was actively involved in the following measures:

HB 2226 (vehicle emissions inspection program) - The bill removes the requirement that each inspection station employ at least one mechanic and instead requires the inspection station to employ a technical assistant to provide assistance to vehicle owners who fail an emissions test. Removes the authority of the director of Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) to enter into agreements with the Arizona Department of Transportation and county assessors to use testing facilities for conducting vehicle registrations. Removes the requirement that vehicles manufactured after 1974 are subject to a biennial liquid fuel leak inspection and the requirement that the director of ADEQ adopt rules prescribing procedures and standards for liquid fuel leak inspections. – SIGNED BY GOVERNOR

SB 1460 (used catalytic converter; purchase; sale) - The bill resolves a conflict in statute by allowing a scrap metal dealer to purchase or sell a used catalytic converter that is acquired in a transaction with an industrial account, with another scrap metal dealer or after the used catalytic converter is authorized for release by a peace officer of the jurisdiction in which the transaction occurs. SIGNED BY GOVERNOR

"In addition, CAWA in its effort to promote the National Be Car Care Aware Campaign was successful in requesting Governor Jan Brewer issue a proclamation recognizing April 2014 as National Car Care Month in Arizona. The measure urges all Arizona residents to be “Car Care Aware” and inspect and perform all

maintenance necessary to ensure their vehicle is operating in a safe, efficient and clean manner. View a copy of the Proclamation [here](#)."

"CAWA remains committed to protecting the business and industry interests of its members in the three states we represent, Arizona, Nevada, and California", stated Rodney K. Pierini, CAWA President & CEO. "Having a proactive legislative presence on the ground in our states ensures that no legislation or regulation will pass without the input and perspective from the aftermarket industry."

CAWA is a regional automotive aftermarket trade association, which represents auto parts jobbers, warehouse distributors, retailers, manufacturers, manufacturer representatives and program groups. The Association provides education, legislative, regulatory and business support to the industry and its membership. It is one of the largest trade associations of its kind in the United States and recognized as a leader in the automotive aftermarket industry.

For more information about the Arizona Legislative session contact Arizona Legislative Advocate Stuart Goodman at sgoodman@goodmanschwartz.com or 602.277.3506.

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