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Sen. Kelly Hancock Statement on SB 1415

AUSTIN - Sen. Kelly Hancock (R-North Richland Hills) today issued the following statement to correct misinformation regarding SB 1415:

"The intent of SB 1415 is to reduce over-regulation of vehicle manufacturers in Texas. Specifically, it adds 'of the same type' to *existing statutory references* to franchise dealer activities to clarify that an auto manufacturer that grows apples can sell oranges, so-tospeak. While not a full-blown direct auto sales bill, which I have authored in the past, it's a step in the free market direction.

"Quite a while back we began working in good faith with all concerned stakeholders on beltsand-suspenders language that would clarify any misinterpretations in future versions of the bill. Bottom line: SB 1415 won't impact how cars from any manufacturer are serviced and repaired. The misinformation and misreporting that occurred over the past few days without even reaching out to our office regarding the intent or current status of the legislation is, frankly, the definition of fake news."

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Sen. Hancock represents <u>District 9</u>, which includes portions of Dallas and Tarrant Counties. He currently serves as Chairman of the Texas Senate Committee on Business & Commerce and Vice Chair of the Texas Senate Transportation Committee.