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Cosponsors: Senators Yuko, Uecker, Hite, Seitz, Hottinger

A C O N C U R R E N T R E S O L U T I O N

To urge the Administrator of the United States
Environmental Protection Agency to retract proposed
regulations concerning competitive race vehicles that
are used solely for competition.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF OHIO (THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING):

WHEREAS, The United States Environmental Protection Agency
(USEPA) has proposed to regulate competitive race vehicles that
were originally designed for road use and subsequently converted
into race vehicles used solely for competition; and

WHEREAS, While the federal Clean Air Act prohibits certain
modifications to motor vehicles, it is clear that vehicles built
or modified for racing, and not used on public streets, are not
within the classes of motor vehicles that Congress intended to
regulate. Statutory language and legislative history clearly
indicate that vehicles used solely for competition, including a
race vehicle converted from a certified highway vehicle, are not
regulated under the Clean Air Act; and

WHEREAS, The regulation also would prohibit the sale of
certain specialty automotive equipment for use in or on such
vehicles; and

WHEREAS, The proposed regulation was buried in an unrelated

regulatory proposal entitled "Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Fuel 21
Efficiency Standards for Medium-and Heavy-Duty Engines and 22
Vehicles—Phase 2"; and 23

WHEREAS, The regulation would impact all vehicle types 24
commonly converted for racing purposes; and 25

WHEREAS, This proposed regulation, if adopted, will have a 26
materially adverse impact on all manufacturers, retailers, 27
installers, and hobbyists participating or engaging in the 28
racing industry and on Ohio's economy; now therefore be it 29

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the 131st General 30
Assembly of the State of Ohio, urge the Administrator of the 31
USEPA to retract the proposed regulation referencing vehicles 32
used solely for competition, including race vehicles that have 33
been converted from certified highway vehicles to competitive 34
race vehicles, and further urge the USEPA to withhold issuing a 35
final regulation until the legislatures of the states have had 36
an opportunity to submit comments; and be it further 37

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate submit duly 38
authenticated copies of this resolution to the President of the 39
United States, the Administrator of the United States 40
Environmental Protection Agency, the President Pro Tempore and 41
Secretary of the United States Senate, the Speaker and Clerk of 42
the United States House of Representatives, the members of 43
Ohio's Congressional delegation, and the news media of Ohio. 44