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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, Vehicular hijackings are a particularly dangerous  
3 crime that is now at historic levels in numerous cities across  
4 the country, leaving untold numbers of residents frightened  
5 that they could become the next victim, even in their own  
6 driveways; and

7           WHEREAS, Vehicular hijackings too frequently leave victims  
8 severely injured or dead, and the vehicles are often used to  
9 commit additional violent acts throughout communities; and

10           WHEREAS, Generally, vehicular hijackings are hard to solve  
11 because offenders ditch the vehicles or change vehicles  
12 frequently to avoid capture and detection; and

13           WHEREAS, Many vehicles made after 2015 have location  
14 technology that would enable law enforcement to quickly locate  
15 a vehicle after a hijacking incident, but automakers, car  
16 dealers, and third party providers have not created an  
17 efficient system to quickly convey this location information  
18 to law enforcement; and

19           WHEREAS, Some auto manufacturers or third party data  
20 providers are not available after-hours or on weekends to  
21 provide location information to law enforcement, and some

1 refuse to provide the information even if legally able to do so  
2 or require vehicle owners to pay a fee to access the  
3 information; and

4 WHEREAS, A 24-hour hotline for law enforcement to access  
5 location information, when available, will allow law  
6 enforcement to more quickly locate hijacked vehicles,  
7 increasing the chance of catching and prosecuting offenders  
8 and reducing subsequent violent crimes; and

9 WHEREAS, Consumer privacy can be protected under such a  
10 system by requiring an owner's consent absent extenuating  
11 circumstances in which there is a clear and present danger of  
12 bodily harm or death; and

13 WHEREAS, The Illinois General Assembly has overwhelming  
14 approved such a system for auto manufacturers that sell  
15 vehicles in Illinois; therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
17 HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
18 we urge members of the Illinois Congressional Delegation and  
19 all members of the U.S. House of Representatives and Senate to  
20 prioritize working with law enforcement, auto manufacturers,  
21 and consumer advocates to establish national tools for  
22 addressing and responding to the alarming growth in vehicular

1 hijackings, including the creation of a national hotline for  
2 providing efficient access to vehicle location information to  
3 law enforcement in vehicular hijacking incidents; and be it  
4 further

5       RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be  
6 delivered to the U.S. Senate Majority Leader, the U.S. Senate  
7 Minority Leader, the U.S. Speaker of the House, the U.S. House  
8 of Representatives Minority Leader, all members of the  
9 Illinois Congressional Delegation, the Alliance for Automotive  
10 Innovation, and the National Automobile Dealers Association.