

## Communication from Public

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Requiring proof of legitimate ownership of a catalytic converter is no different than requiring pawn shop owners to prove that their goods were not illegally obtained. The argument that it works a disadvantage or bias towards black/brown/poor communities is a red herring, since those are precisely the economic areas which are most likely to have autos with catalytic converters, rather than electric vehicles (such as Teslas, etc.) which do not. Facilitating the theft of these devices imposes a tremendous financial loss on the victims, and contributes to the general decline of an orderly society by justifying/excusing that theft.