



# E-Newsletter

Industry News We Can All Relate To...

## California Nixes Rule Mandating Reflective Car Windows

California air regulators have reversed a mandate that would have required sun-reflecting glass to be installed on all new vehicles sold in the state, giving auto manufacturers a temporary reprieve.

The California Air Resources Board made the change Thursday after critics complained the new windshields might block cell phone signals in remote areas. Law enforcement officials also expressed concern that the windows would interfere with the electronic signals from ankle bracelets worn by paroled felons.

The idea behind the rule was to reduce the amount of air conditioning needed in vehicles, and therefore cut the amount of fuel they consume. It was among dozens of strategies the board pursued in its effort to reduce California's greenhouse gas emissions to 1990 levels by 2020, the goal set by the state's 2006 global warming law. Board spokesman Stanley Young said regulators will develop another mandate that lets auto manufacturers choose how to reduce a car's internal temperature.

For example, cars could be equipped with better ventilation systems, heat-reflecting paint or

other window technology, he said.

"We're hoping this will draw on the ingenuity of car engineers to keep the car cooler while it's standing in the sun," Young said.

The window mandate, known as the "cool cars" initiative, would have cooled a sedan's interior by an estimated 14 degrees Fahrenheit, or 12 degrees for a pickup or SUV. It was projected to prevent 700,000 metric tons of carbon dioxide from entering the atmosphere in 2020, the equivalent of taking 140,000 vehicles off the road for a year.

The auto industry also succeeded last year in getting the board to back off a proposal that would have required so-called "cool paints" on new vehicles. The companies complained it would have blocked them from selling black cars in California.

Any new rule would have to be approved by the 11-member Air Resources Board.

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## Auto Collision Solutions Offers Free Online Continuing Education Classes to Insurance Professionals

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## Broken Windshield Traffic Stop Leads to Arrest

A Phoenix man who was pulled over for a broken windshield was arrested and charged with aggravated DUI-drugs.

Angel Martinez, 22, was westbound on Highway 70 at about 9:42 Sunday morning when he passed officer Herschel Medlin. The officer noticed the windshield on Martinez's Toyota sedan was broken. Medlin pulled over the car and discovered Martinez did not have a driver's license in his possession. Other occupants in the car included a 16-year-old male and

a 21-year-old female and her 1-year-old son.

Martinez allegedly told the officer he had attempted to visit an inmate at the Arizona State Prison-Safford but was not allowed to after corrections officers found drug paraphernalia on his person.

Medlin asked Martinez when the last time he used drugs was, and Martinez said he had smoked marijuana the previous night. Medlin then placed Martinez under arrest

for aggravated DUI-drug.

In Arizona, a person can be charged with DUI-drug if there is any drug metabolite in their system. Since it takes pot about one month to leave a typical user's system, a person can normally be charged with DUI-drug even if they haven't ingested the drug for several weeks and do not show any sign of impairment.

The charge was aggravated because there was a child in the car while Martinez was driving.

## Mobile Auto Repair Co. Takes Money and Leaves Broken Window

These days, you can find pretty much anything on the web, and that includes Craigslist.

It's an auction site where you can find stuff for cheap, but one San Antonio family says "buyer beware" because there are scammers ready to take your money.

"There is scammers out there, and Roger Delgado happens to be one of them," said Cathy Estrada.

She says her son found C&T Mobile Services on Craigslist to fix his car window. He couldn't afford what mechanics wanted, so he called the owner, Roger Delgado. Delgado showed up, looked at the problem and said he had the part.

"He said, 'If you give me the money, I will take it,'" Estrada said. "I have it at the shop. I will get the part and be back within two hours to do the service."

Two hours came and went, so Cathy called Delgado, but there was no answer. Two days later, she was still calling, and finally, he answered. He told Cathy he had gotten tied up, but would be there by noon.

"We said, 'Okay, things happen, you know.' On Sunday, he never showed up again, so for the next week or two I been calling and calling. He finally

called back and said he'd been suffering from food poisoning," Estrada said.

The Estradas felt like they had been had, so they fought back. They began posting scam alerts on Craigslist. That's when she says she finally heard from Delgado.

"He gave me an ultimatum. He said unless I remove the postings off Craigslist, which are ruining his business, I'll never see the money or the part again," Estrada said.

We didn't think that sounded right, so

we called Delgado, but he didn't answer, so we left a message. Roger Delgado never called back.

The Estradas say they will press charges for theft, and see it as paying \$130 to warn anyone who will listen.

Cathy Estrada said, "He has now changed his business from C&T Automotive to M2G Automotive. And I don't know how many more times he's going to change the name to be able to do what he does, but we're trying to put a stop to him."

## Wisconsin Proposal Targets Insurance Co.'s Repair Preferences

A proposed new regulation – known as the "anti-steering bill" for the auto insurance industry in Wisconsin has strong support from those in the business of repairing cars.

By "steering" the authors of this legislation are referring to what in the insurance industry is called direct repair.

Most large insurance companies have a list of preferred auto repair shops that they recommend or steer their customers to after an accident.

At a hearing on the bill last week, insurance industry representatives took a different view. They said the bill will

hurt consumers who don't have time to shop around for the best repair deal.

Heather Starke, an estimator for State Farm Insurance, said the legislation puts consumers in jeopardy by "restricting the access to important information, creates potential delays in processing claims, and increases insurance costs."

The sponsors of the bill argue that eliminating "steering" will actually give consumers more choice when it comes to deciding where to have their cars repaired.

Similar bills have been passed in Arizona and other states.

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### Bingo Game Cards Still Available

If you have not received your bingo card, Please call Jim at (877) 947-3616.

As a reminder, every Monday Ray will send out the Bingo numbers via email, you then mark off those numbers on your bingo card. The first person to email Ray with a winning card can choose from several prizes.

Prizes include gift cards to Claim Jumper, Macy's, Olive Garden and many others.



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### 1st Annual S.A.G. Softball Tournament & BBQ

**SHOWCASE Auto Glass** will host its 1st Annual Softball Tournament and BBQ in April. Details of the event will follow. Everyone is invited. There will be plenty of food and refreshments.

#### **WE NEED PLAYERS!!**

Men and women are welcomed. Teams will be Co-ed.

Anyone wishing to play, please call Jim at