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Exemptions to Prohibition Against Circumvention of Technological Measures Protecting Copyrighted Works

Here is some public reporting on the <u>recent survey conducted</u> by the Auto Care Association, which underscores the challenges faced by independent mechanics due to manufacturer-imposed repair restrictions. The survey, encompassing responses from over 400 car mechanics, reveals significant concerns that impact both their business operations and the broader car repair market.

Auto insurers <u>currently provide OBD-II devices</u> with built in cellular modems. (<u>Here are Allstate's instructions</u> to find the OBD-II port in your car). These devices would no longer be necessary if they could access the wireless vehicle telemetry.

If you are looking for more technical resources on this topic, I recommend reaching out to Craig Smith, the author of the <u>Car Hacker's Handbook</u>. He would be a good resource if you require more technical depth to understand the nuances of TPMs in relation to telematics.

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