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To reduce the operation and maintenance costs associated with the Federal fleet by encouraging the use of remanufactured parts, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. PETERS of Michigan (for himself and Mr. LANKFORD) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Federal Vehicle Repair
5 Cost Savings Act of 2014”.

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

7 The Congress finds that in March 2013 the Govern-
8 ment Accountability Office issued a report that confirmed
9 the following:

1 (1) There are approximately 588,000 vehicles in
2 the civilian Federal fleet.

3 (2) Federal agencies spent approximately \$975
4 million on repair and maintenance of these vehicles
5 in 2011.

6 (3) Remanufactured vehicle components, such
7 as engines, starters, alternators, steering racks, and
8 clutches, tend to be less expensive than comparable
9 new replacement parts.

10 (4) The United States Postal Service and
11 United States Department of the Interior both in-
12 formed the Government Accountability Office that
13 they rely on the use of remanufactured vehicle com-
14 ponents to reduce costs.

15 **SEC. 3. REQUIREMENT TO USE REMANUFACTURED VEHI-**
16 **CLE COMPONENTS.**

17 (a) REQUIREMENT.—The head of each Federal agen-
18 cy shall encourage the use of remanufactured vehicle com-
19 ponents to maintain Federal vehicles, if using such compo-
20 nents reduces the cost while maintaining quality, but not
21 if using such components—

22 (1) does not reduce the cost;

23 (2) lowers the quality of vehicle performance, as
24 determined by the employee of the Federal agency
25 responsible for the repair decision; or

1 (3) delays the return to service of a vehicle.

2 (b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

3 (1) FEDERAL AGENCY.—The term “Federal
4 agency” has the meaning given that term in section
5 102 of title 40, United States Code.

6 (2) REMANUFACTURED VEHICLE COMPO-
7 NENT.—The term “remanufactured vehicle compo-
8 nent” means a vehicle component (including an en-
9 gine, transmission, alternator, starter, turbocharger,
10 steering, or suspension component) that has been re-
11 turned to same-as-new, or better, condition and per-
12 formance by a standardized industrial process that
13 incorporates technical specifications (including engi-
14 neering, quality, and testing standards) to yield fully
15 warranted products.

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