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I understand that the Air Resources Board will meet on June 25 to consider the issue of an Enhanced Fleet Modernization Program. The Program would target pre-1976 vehicles for scrappage.

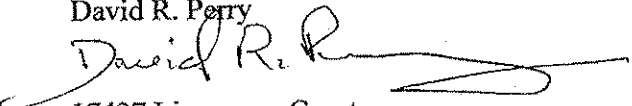
I believe that this program is not an answer to eliminate oil-burning, poor running, improperly tuned vehicles. Because there are so few pre-1976 vehicles on the road, it would make more sense to concentrate on newer vehicles that are causing some of these problems and save us taxpayers many millions of dollars.

From what I see on our roads, the great majority of pre-1976 vehicles are either restored or kept in pristine condition. That usually means a rebuilt or newer engine and a quality tune-up that provides the driver with a smooth-running vehicle that gets better miles per gallon than many newer cars.

I own a 1968 Buick that I drive less than 100 miles per year. I have rebuilt part of the engine and keep it in very good condition. It's been in our family since it was new and we have no intention of seeing it go to a scrap yard. The compensation of \$1,000 - \$2,000 for retiring the car is ridiculous! We would not buy a newer car to replace it. The Buick is a source of pride and pleasure and gets a "thumbs up" from many people.

Please consider the scrapping of pre-1976 vehicles as a waste of taxpayer money. The smog police should go after only those vehicles that are obvious polluters, regardless of age!

Cordially,
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