GENERAL ASSEMBLY
COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 117

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The following concurrent resolution was reported to the Senate from the House and ordered to be printed.

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COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
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1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION establishing an "Automotive Caucus" within
2 the Kentucky General Assembly.
3 WHEREAS, Kentucky's automotive industry is one of the largest manufacturing
4 industries in the state, employing 85,000 people in more than 460 automotive-related
5 businesses throughout nearly two-thirds of Kentucky counties, and ranking as the state's
6 second largest export industry, with $5.9 billion in exports in 2014 representing over 20%
7 of the state's total exports; and
8 WHEREAS, Kentucky's automotive industry intersects with the state's other
9 industries to produce a combined direct, indirect, and induced economic impact of $14.3
10 billion in gross state product, 136,500 jobs, $6 billion in payroll, and over $600 million in
11 state and local tax revenue; and
12 WHEREAS, Kentucky's automotive industry is competitive nationally, ranking
13 third in the nation in passenger vehicle production, producing one out of every nine
14 passenger cars, light trucks, or SUV's made in the United States; fifth in automotive
15 industry employment; and third in automotive employment as a percentage of total state
16 employment; and
17 WHEREAS, to further advance and promote Kentucky's automotive industry, there
18 was recently established an industry-led Kentucky Automotive Industry Association with
19 the stated goal of advancing the industry and creating an environment for growth; and
20 WHEREAS, it is advisable for the Commonwealth of Kentucky to continue to press
21 its competitive advantage, to explore and devise paths to continued growth and vitality,
22 and to address the challenges and opportunities presented in the automotive industry; and
23 WHEREAS, a legislative caucus dedicated to the automotive industry would allow
24 the General Assembly to take a leading role in working with industry and others to retain
25 and grow this major manufacturing sector;
26 NOW, THEREFORE,
27 ***Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the***

1 ***Commonwealth of Kentucky, the Senate concurring therein:***

2 ➔Section 1. There is hereby established a nonpartisan, bicameral caucus within
3 the Kentucky General Assembly to be called the Kentucky Automotive Caucus.

4 ➔Section 2. The Kentucky Automotive Caucus shall work to promote and
5 develop initiatives in the Kentucky General Assembly that further the economic interests
6 of the Commonwealth by encouraging the growth and vitality of the automotive industry.
7 The caucus shall work closely with industry organizations such as the Kentucky
8 Automotive Industry Association and others to achieve these goals.

9 ➔Section 3. It is respectfully requested that the President of the Senate and the
10 Speaker of the House of Representatives support the creation of the Kentucky
11 Automotive Caucus by encouraging members of each chamber actively to participate in
12 the caucus.

Speaker of House of Representatives

President of Senate

Attest: Sean T. Durgin
Chief Clerk of House of Representatives

Approved
Governor

Date 13 APRIL 2016