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President's Perspective

By Eric Gallay, ATRI President



ATRI has been busy "getting it done" I mean legislatively we have been busy for the past year meeting with Senators and Representatives, hosting our first ever lobby day ever and it worked. I want to personally thank the ATRI board, and staff, who were all involved in this process. Making much needed changes to the Illinois Vehicle Code is huge. As an organization we are on a role and we are not stopping here. We all know how outdated the Illinois Vehicle Code is and we have only begun to make a difference in the way auto recyclers do business in Illinois. We will be going forward and reaching out to recyclers in the near future to keep the ATRI train rolling!

We showed that our hard work paid off, SB1934 passed! Please see my article on page? The future looks brighter than ever, and I can't say enough about how important it is for recyclers that are members of ATRI to stick together. If you are reading this and you are not a member, please become one and help us work on these important issues.

The Missouri/Illinois Convention and Trade Show is Oct 25/26 in Alton, IL. This is a great location for the event. The hotel is set up perfectly and is not far from the St. Louis Airport. Please join us on Friday night for Exhibitor Appreciation Night. For those suppliers in the industry you can find a registration form in this newsletter. The convention committee is putting together a stellar conference. Saturday night we will close our event with a pig roast at my place Red's Auto Parts. My place is less than

2 miles from the hotel. I hope to see all of our exhibitors in October and please support them whenever possible!

On another note, I want to congratulate Michelle Lechner on her 20th year with ATRI. You could not ask for a better Executive Director, she is the glue keeping us together. Thank you, Michelle for your 20 years of service. I hope you will be with us for many more. I feel as president of ATRI I have the best board and Executive Director in the industry period! We are an awesome team kicking ass and making it happen! As I close this letter, I am looking forward to making an even bigger difference in the future of ATRI. Be looking for us to give you a call or even stop in to visit.

Thank you and happy recycling,
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Executive's Viewpoint

By Michelle Lechner, Executive Director



As we begin the summer it's nice to know that ATRI has accomplished quite a bit legislatively. You all know this from the front cover of this magazine to Eric's letter of explanation. What you don't know is that we are busy, busy as we continue to rebuild pieces of the Illinois Vehicle Code that just are outdated and don't really work anymore. We now have our feet in the door to move forward. Yes, it does take time to build relationships with Senator's and Representatives and we have done that. We don't want them to forget us so we plan to make sure that doesn't happen. Is it expensive? Yes, it is. Is it worth it? Yes, it is. Please read SB 1934 carefully and feel free to call the ATRI office with any questions you may have. We need more than ever the support of the association, and we hope to grow our membership. Illinois auto recyclers banning together speaks volumes. The ATRI Board is having a Strategic planning day this summer so we can map out the future for ATRI. It is politically correct to be a member of your state association, so if you are reading this and you aren't a member please find the membership application in this newsletter and join today. If you want to know what you get out of being a member read Eric's letter of explanation of SB1934. Thank you to those of you who took time to sign a witness slip, go to a luncheon, a golf outing, wrote a letter to you Senator or Representative because all of those do factor into our success. That is what an association is all about, the definition of the word association is "A group of people organized for a joint purpose" That is exactly what ATRI is. It is our job to keep you up to date on the latest and greatest in what this everchanging industry has to offer. We can't do it without you. Our lobby day was by far just a great way to meet people in our legislature. It presented us the opportunity to discuss and educate our Illinois Senators and Representatives on just who we are and what we do.

It's that time again to discuss the next Missouri/Illinois Convention & Trade Show. After last years convention I decided to talk to some of our exhibitors to see how we can make this a better event for them. Taking all into consideration, the 2019 Convention & Trade Show decided to host an Exhibitor Appreciation Night. That will open our trade show this year on Friday Oct 25. We are counting on this event to be a huge success and hope you will attend. This year the event is in Alton, IL. It is a fabulous venue. So much to do in that area. To all of the Chicago people, the Amtrak train literally stops 2 blocks from the hotel. Anybody interested in a Recyclers Round Table discussion aboard the train? Something to think about. Other highlights include a tour at Grossman Iron and Steel, breakfast with the Exhibitors followed by seminars on Saturday, to include Illinois Green Car awards and wrapping up with a pig roast at Red's Auto Salvage with live music. Red's is less than 2 miles from the hotel and the hotel has offered to shuttle to and from for us. Have you ever been down in that area in the fall? It is truly beautiful! Mark your calendars for Oct 25/26 and join us. The Missouri folks are fantastic people, and what a great way to meet a new trading partner, or just talk with others who face the same challenges you do on a daily basis. The convention committee is currently working on the seminars for Saturday, so watch your email for more information. Please remember, this event is for you. I guarantee you will come away with more knowledge, making new friends, seeing old friends and just having an all-around good time. The St. Louis airport is not far from the hotel either if you choose to fly. See you in October! Have a great summer.

Keep Recycling,
Michelle Lechner
Executive Director



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Are You Cool with R1234yf?

By Shelly Smith –
 Compliance Manager,
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Did you know the first car to feature air conditioning was produced in 1940? Today nearly all automobiles have air conditioning, which means it's important to consider how your yard handles refrigerants. In the mid-1990's, automotive manufacturers switched to the refrigerant R134a due to concerns of ozone layer depletion. Today, they are making the switch from R134a to R1234yf due to concerns about global climate change. The United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) has issued regulations for R134a to be phased out of most new vehicle production by 2021 and all vehicle production by 2025. After that, all new vehicles will use R1234yf refrigerant although R134a will still be available to service older vehicles.


R134a and R1234yf are similar in performance, but R1234yf is more environmentally friendly. R1234yf is also classified as mildly flammable, which means that it must be handled properly. According to the Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE), R1234yf is safe for automotive use. The risk of fire is highly unlikely in case of an accident or refrigerant leak. Along with the flammability risk comes several new proce-



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dures, new certification and new equipment for properly handling of R1234yf.

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Several regulations apply to all types of refrigerants used in automobiles. Section 608 of the Clean Air Act prohibits the intentional release (venting) of any refrigerant when maintaining, servicing, repairing, or disposing of air conditioning or refrigeration equipment, including those from motor vehicles. Likewise, recovered refrigerant must be either recycled or reclaimed before it can be reused, even if it is being returned to the same automobile. Anyone who maintains, services, or repairs Motor Vehicle Air Conditioning (MVAC) systems must be certified as Section 609 MVAC technicians. Perhaps most importantly, the final person in the disposal chain (such as a scrap metal recycler or landfill owner) is responsible for ensuring that

refrigerant is recovered from equipment before its final disposal. Individuals removing refrigerant from small appliances or motor vehicle air conditioners, when preparing them for disposal, are not required to be certified technicians. However, the equipment used to recover refrigerant from appliances prior to their final disposal must meet the same performance standards as refrigerant recovery equipment used for servicing.

Certified equipment must be used to remove refrigerant from a vehicle. New equipment may be required to service R1234yf systems to ensure the fittings and hoses are appropriate for R1234yf. All recovery machines must meet SAE standards J2843 and J2927 or J2912, these standards specifically address refrigerant equipment. Since some machines do not recover contaminated refrigerant, you may need a recovery-only machine that is specifically designed to SAE standard J2851, which applies to recovery-only ma-

chines. Recovered refrigerant must be either recycled or reclaimed before it can be recharged into a MVAC system. Recycling removes impurities and oil, while reclamation returns the refrigerant to pure specifications.

What's the bottom line? Handle refrigerants carefully. Be aware that R1234yf is being used in newer models of cars and you may have already seen it or may be seeing it arrive in your yard soon. Consider investing in appropriate equipment for removal and/or reclamation, keeping an eye on the resale market. And enjoy your air conditioning when the summer heat hits.

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- Saturday morning, more time with conference attendees during breakfast. Exhibitors may elect to present a **5-Minute "Commercial"** about their products and company. (See sponsorship form.)

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

Friday, October 25

Tour at Grossman Iron and Steel

4:00pm Registration

5:00pm - 10:00pm Trade Show Opens –

Exhibitor Appreciation Night

Saturday, October 26

8:00am - 11:00am Trade Show Opens with
Breakfast with Exhibitors

11:15am Educational Session TBA

12:30pm Lunch in the Hotel Atrium

1:30pm - 2:30pm Educational session TBA
Break

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- **Industry Round Table** discussion "Young Guns"
- Exhibitors have the opportunity to present a **5-Minute "Commercial"** (Saturday Morning)
- **Pig Roast & Live Music** at Red's Auto Parts (Saturday Evening)

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ATRI Legislative Action Report

Automotive Recyclers Bill SB 1934 is law!!!

Bill Status of SB1934 101st General Assembly

Senate Sponsors: Sen. Andy Manar - Terry Link, David Koehler, Sue Rezin, Martin A. Sandoval, Rachelle Crowe, Paul Schimpf, Jacqueline Y. Collins and Jason Plummer

House Sponsors: (Rep. Jay Hoffman - Michael Halpin)

Last Action: Passed Both Houses

ATRI has become involved at the legislative level to protect your business and our industry. And SB 1934 is law! Many thanks to the ATRI Members, our committees and advisors who contributed their time effort and funding to accomplish this amazing milestone in Illinois. A special thank you the ATRI Board of Directors for their advice and commitment to our association and our industry.

Our journey started in 2018 to combat a legislative effort of LKQ to create undue burden on our members. We fought them and we won. We had a promise to work with together to create meaningful legislation to benefit all recyclers in Illinois, Members and non-members.

SB 1934 is the culmination of over a year of action by the ARTI leadership and our consultants.

This legislation specifically addresses the issue of ghost buyers at the salvage pools who buy total loss salvage and remove them from the automobile recycling parts stream. There are three types of these ghost buyers, non-Illinois individuals or businesses based in the USA, second foreign buyers having business outside the USA and third non-qualified Illinois businesses.

Legitimate USA buyers will be identified and regulated. No person in this state shall sell at auction a salvage vehicle to a nonresident individual or business which is not licensed. Additionally this out of state buyer must provide a resale tax certificate and a NMVTIS number or a FEIN number or a government issued driver license or passport.

No person in this state shall sell at auction a salvage vehicle to a foreign buyer unless that buyer is licensed in another country and also provide a copy the passport of the buyer or the business owner's passport or Government Issue id.

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The law also addressed the issue of rogue car crusher operations who “clean up” tow lots and farm fields by requiring they be licensed and the crush operation must take place at a location licensed and regulated to crush cars.

The law also gives the Secretary of State Police the authority to enforce provisions of the vehicle code against any unlicensed individual or business acting in violation of the code, just as they were licensed.

ATRI has worked closely with numerous business and individuals for the betterment of our industry. We have created opportunities to continue our progress to make positive legislative changes which will positively affect your business. The ATRI leadership has attended numerous fundraisers and meetings at their own expense. Our Board legislative event in Springfield was amazing having attendance by numerous elected officials. We have developed good working relationships with LKQ, Copart, IAAI and the Secretary of State office. Illinois Legislative leadership recognizes who ATRI is.

It had been an honor and privilege to represent you and I ask for your continued support in ATRI efforts to better the industry for us all.

Notice of Proposed Rules Large Recycling Facilities

Pursuant to Chapters 2-112 and 11-4 of the Municipal Code of Chicago, notice is hereby given that the Department of Public Health (CDPH) solicits written comments with respect to its proposed rules for large recycling facilities.

Proposed Rules for Large Recycling Facilities

Appendix A

The above documents are also available in CDPH’s website at <http://www.cityofchicago.org/environmentalrules>.

To be considered, written comments must be received by CDPH on or before June 7th 2019. The address to send written comments with respect to the proposed regulations is the following:

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Comments may also be submitted via email to EnvComments@cityofchicago.org.

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Memorandum to the Auto & Truck Recyclers of Illinois Implementation of SB 1939-ROAD Funding Legislation

June 17, 2019

SB 1939, the road funding implementation bill, had several revenue components which were negotiated in the final hours of session by legislative leadership. Please see below an outline of the legislation, including fee increases on both salvage and junk titles.

Primary Funding Sources

The primary funding source for the bill was a doubling of the state’s gas tax as noted below:

- Increases the gas tax from .19 cents per gallon to .38 cents per gallon. The bill also allows for an increase in the gas tax based on inflation without further legislative action
- SB 1939 also implements a 7.5 cent per gallon increase on diesel in addition to the .38 cent per gallon increase on motor fuel
- Sales Tax on Motor Fuels: beginning July 1, 2021, proceeds are incrementally transferred to Road Fund over 5-year period (1% of the 6.25% in the first year, then 2% in the second year, up until 5% starting July 1, 2025).
 - o Revenues from increase to special fuels deposited into Road Fund
 - o Revenues from increase to gasoline deposited into new Transportation Renewal Fund.

Local Privileges

- The bill further allows the City of Chicago to levy a .03 cent tax on motor fuels in addition to the tax the State of Illinois can levy.
- Adds Lake and Will counties to the counties eligible to institute a motor fuel tax (currently DuPage, Kane, and McHenry). The initial rate may not be less than \$0.04 and may not exceed \$0.08.

Fee Increases

It is of note that several Secretary of State fees were added in the final hours of discussions with no notice to stakeholders and very little discussion from the capitol working group as an add on to increase bonding authority through the Road



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Fund. The fee increases are noted below:

- Passenger Vehicle Registrations: Increased by \$50, with \$49 of proceeds deposited into Road Fund (\$1 to State Special Services Fund)
- Electric Vehicle Registrations: equal to other passenger vehicles + \$100 additional fee
- Truck Vehicle Registrations: Increased by \$100, with \$99 of proceeds deposited into Road Fund (\$1 to State Special Services Fund)
- Certificate of titles: Increase by \$55 for standard vehicles, but reduces fee for duplicate certificates by \$45; adds other fees for salvage certificates, junking certificates, and motor home certificates
 - o motor home \$250 (Effective July 1, 2019)
 - o salvage \$20 (Effective July 1, 2019)
 - o junking certificate \$10 (Effective July 1, 2019)

NOTE: These fee increases are effective July 1, 2019. We will be working with the Secretary of State's Office to determine what notice of this fee will be provided.

Total Expected Revenues:

- MFT increase \$927,788,642
- Special fuel surcharge \$376,179,029
- Passenger vehicle registration \$441,119,266
- Electric Vehicles \$1,894,523
- Truck registrations \$49,111,821
- Certificate of titles \$155,893,063
- **Total \$1,951,986,343**

The **next opportunity to address the fee increases** either through amending the current statutory changes in SB 1939 or through other means by amending existing statute on salvage and junk titles will be in the **fall veto session in late October.**

DBP will be contacting members of the capital working group as well as rank and file legislators to let them know our concerns as an association. We will also continue to work with Michelle and Joe to determine other potential methods of creating a legislative solution to this matter.

Please feel free to contact us with questions regarding this report.

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