ATTENTION CUSTOMERS

MINNESOTA LAW EFFECTIVE 8/1/2023 CATALYTIC CONVERTERS

WHAT'S IN THE NEW LAW

Beginning Aug. 1, the new law establishes criminal penalties for possession of a used catalytic converter that is not attached to a vehicle or marked with specific identifying information. Possession of one catalytic converter is a misdemeanor, two is a gross misdemeanor, and three or more is a felony punishable by increasing penalties according to the number of converters in a person's possession.

The law also:

- Adds record-keeping and training requirements for scrap metal dealers that purchase catalytic converters.
- Prohibits scrap metal dealers from purchasing a catalytic converter that is
 not attached to a motor vehicle unless it contains identifying markings that
 connect the catalytic converter to a vehicle and the seller provides
 documentation demonstrating ownership, such as a vehicle title or registration.
- Requires scrap metal dealers to make information available to law enforcement and enter data into electronic databases.
- Provides that out-of-pocket costs are included when a court orders restitution to an identifiable victim in a criminal case.
- Dem-con Requires proof of ownership: (Title or Registration)
- All Catalytic Converters must be clearly labeled with the VIN number of the vehicle they originated from.
- All Catalytic Converter tickets will be paid via check with a 5-day holding period before the check is mailed out. All checks will be mailed to address on sellers I.D.

ALL SALES ARE FINAL