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## **OUELLETTE'S BILL TO ASSIST AUTO INDUSTRY PASSES SECOND READING**

*Oshawa MPP commended for supporting local autoworkers*

**(Queen's Park)** – Bill 92, the *Canadian Manufacturing and Assembly of Government Vehicles Act, 2008* introduced by Oshawa MPP Jerry Ouellette passed Second Reading this afternoon in the Ontario Legislature. The bill will now move forward and has been referred to the Standing Committee of the Legislative Assembly.

"I am pleased the bill has passed Second Reading; and I look forward to public committee hearings to give the full opportunity to contribute input and debate and to fine tune the legislation", stated Mr. Ouellette.

The bill is intended to promote the domestic automotive industry by requiring all Ontario government ministries, boards, and agencies to purchase, rent, or lease Ontario or Canadian or North American vehicles. The legislation also requires that consideration shall be given to hybrid, alternative fuel and other types of advanced technology vehicles.

Peter Shurman MPP, Thornhill admired Mr. Ouellette's proactive stance, "Its creative and one of the essential pieces of a solution".

"There is simply no argument to be made for not adopting this policy by way of this legislation and, for that matter, extending it so that municipalities and any transfer payment agency —think about that, any transfer payment agency—is bound by it as well," stated Peter Kormos, NDP Member for Welland. "I know that Mr. Ouellette, the member for Oshawa, has a long-time interest in this matter."

All members who spoke in the Legislature commended Mr. Ouellette for bringing the bill forward in support of the province's automakers.

Liz Sandals Liberal MPP for Guelph affirmed, "I am really pleased to see that the member from Oshawa is including in his bill looking not just at the place of assembly but also the place of manufacturing."

"Of course the auto industry is Ontario's number one industry, and it is well and good that we should be supporting purchase of Ontario's vehicles with Ontario taxpayer dollars", added Ted Chudleigh MPP, Halton.

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