



January 14, 2026

To Alaska Legislators

RE: Letter of Support for House Bill 249

Dear Madam or Sir:

Insurance Auto Auctions (IAA) is a salvage vehicle auction that primarily handles the sale of total-loss vehicles for the insurance industry. IAA has 175 auction sites throughout North America, one of which is in the state of Alaska.

This bill would allow certain documents to be signed electronically without the need of notarization when a vehicle is acquired by an insurance company as a result of payment of damages.

If the use of an electronic signature is allowed, the time required for the transfer of vehicle ownership to insurers will be significantly reduced. This would benefit consumers, insurers and salvage auctions in the following ways:

For consumers, electronic signature would speed payment of the claim to the vehicle owner who just lost his car and needs to purchase another. It also allows for settlement during catastrophic events when consumers are displaced and not available to receive documents by shipping.

For insurers, electronic signature would allow for a more expeditious disposition of the salvage vehicles. Insurers may then close their files more quickly, improving the efficiency of the claim settlement process, and, through receipt of vehicle sales proceeds, more quickly recover a portion of the settlement paid.

For salvage auctions, electronic signature would shorten the storage duration of vehicles, freeing up space in expensive facilities.

For the above reasons, we would like to ask for your support for this legislation. If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at (708) 710-6054 or via email: kdotzeva@iaai.com.

Sincerely,

/s/ Katerina Dotzeva

IAA, Inc. – Katerina Dotzeva, Director of Government Affairs