

# Automotive Defense Specialists Announces New Content on Bureau of Automotive Repair STAR Suspensions

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Defense Specialists, a team of best-in-class defense attorneys focused on auto repair technicians and shop owners at <https://www.automotivedefense.com/>, is proud to announce new content helping to explain "STAR suspensions." Now a few years old, the changes to the system have been explained by California's Bureau of Automotive Repair at <https://www.bar.ca.gov/star/updates> but many technicians and auto repair shop owners do not understand the impact until they face a potential violation.

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"For the Bureau of Auto Repair, sending out SMOG suspension letters is just part of their job. But for the recipient, it can be a devastating threat to their business," said lead attorney William Ferreira from Automotive Defense Specialists. He continued, "People on our legal team have a personal understanding of situations like this. Many of us have worked in the SMOG testing community in the past. Now we defend SMOG technicians and shop owners, and keep up-to-date with changing terminology from the Bureau."

The new content for how to handle a Bureau of Automotive Defense suspension letter is at <https://automotivedefense.com/2024/06/07/exploring-star-suspension-a-story-of-challenges-for-auto-repair-shops/>. The post is an up-to-date summary of STAR suspensions and the challenges of understanding new policies and enforcement. Beyond the complexity, however, the attorneys at Automotive Defense Specialists help protect SMOG technicians and auto repair shops against the agency's overreach and mismanagement of [citations](#), suspension notices, and even criminal accusations. Lead attorney William Ferreira can be found at <https://automotivedefense.com/about/williamferreira/>.

Among the controversial enforcement strategies are the use of [undercover cars](#) to "enforce" California's tough emission regulations. The automobiles can arrive unbeknownst to a SMOG

technician with intentional errors under the hood, such as altered voltage readings, clipped coil wires, and missing spring thermostats. Many tactics may be outside of routine SMOG testing procedures. More information on this can be found at <https://automotivedefense.com/2016/04/22/bureau-of-automotive-repair-undercover-cars/>.

## FIGHTING A BUREAU OF AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR SUSPENSION

Here is the background on this release. Smog shop owners and technicians may need clarification on the meaning of a so-called "[STAR suspension](#)." The notification could surprise a smog testing shop that prides itself on best-in-class service. The action might question a shop's reputation for high standards and A1 customer service. Instead of fighting a Bureau of Automotive Repair suspension in court alone, however, the chances of success may be improved with assistance of a top defense lawyer. A legal expert can dig into the facts, clear up misunderstandings, and fight for one's legal rights.

## ABOUT AUTOMOTIVE DEFENSE SPECIALISTS

Automotive Defense Specialists (<https://automotivedefense.com/>) is a top law firm representing auto repair facilities, SMOG check stations, and technicians in every facet of their legal needs, including the Bureau of Automotive Repair letters, citations, and suspensions. The legal team can help auto shops respond to a Defense Letter from the Bureau of Auto Repair. The company offers phone consultations to auto shops, mechanics, technicians, and others facing disciplinary actions from the California Bureau of Automotive Repair.

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