Used Motor Vehicle and Parts Commission Report By ADR Staff

Chairman John Longacre convened the March 8, 2016, session of the Used Motor Vehicle and Parts Commission (UMV&PC). Following roll call and approval of the February 2016 meeting minutes, Longacre called on Commission Director John Maile for his report.

Director Maile called on Legislative Liaison Curt Roggow for the legislative update. Roggow advised that SB 1445, the bill to abolish the Commission, had failed in the Senate Appropriations Committee. The odometer fraud bill, SB 1175, passed out of the Senate with only two 'no' votes. Also, Senate Bill 1459 proposed giving non-profit organizations some of the benefits of being a used car dealer without requiring a license. Director Maile explained that the bill actually uses language calling a non-profit a dealer and that the bill would give non-profits authority to use metal dealer license plates.

Regarding dealer audits and violations, Commissioners recommended that any oral instructions issued by staff be followed with a written letter.

Chief Investigator John Lancaster informed the Commissioners that the investigators had completed 22 dealership inspections and had handled 22 complaints: 6 title issues, 3 contract violations, 6 mechanical issues, 7 miscellaneous, and 0 advertising. In addition, staff conducted four informal hearings.

A total of 25 dealers attended the on-site education program in February. Applicants for a new license and dealers involved in significant rule violations are required to attend the Commission's education program as a part of acquiring or maintaining a state license. These education sessions are being held in the conference room at 2401 NW 23, Oklahoma City. Classes are held on Monday prior to the Commission meeting on the second Tuesday of each month. The sessions run from 9 a.m. to about noon or 1 p.m. You are asked to make reservations so staff can be prepared to accommodate you. Call the Commission at 405-521-3600 to make your reservations.