

**Question for written answer E-002783/2024
to the Commission**
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Subject: Odometer fraud

Car-Pass was introduced in Belgium in 2006 by the automotive industry under government supervision. It has practically wiped out odometer fraud and has increased the residual value of Belgian second-hand cars (that have a valid Car-Pass) on the European second-hand car market.

Unfortunately, this type of fraud remains a major problem for the second-hand car market all over Europe, because it deceives consumers and leads to unfair competition among car vendors. On 31 May 2018, the European Parliament adopted a resolution calling for a legislative framework to tackle the problem.

At an informal meeting of ministers responsible for consumer protection on Friday 19 April 2024, the Belgian Presidency's proposal to develop an odometer data exchange among Member States received strong support in the Council.

1. What is the Commission's position on the matter?
2. Does it intend to pursue this initiative? If so, how?
3. How far has the initiative progressed, and if nothing has been done, what are the reasons for that?

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