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would be the dealer that it was delivered through.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Okay. Here's the part that I think I've missed somehow. If that dealer is not authorized under his franchise agreement to do that, then who does it?

SENATOR BROMM: If he's...if I...if this is what you mean, if he's a Ford dealer but he's allowing a GM car to be delivered through him, he's not a franchise holder of Ford (sic), in that situation he is...he is obligated, on the next page, to notify the purchaser that he is jointly and severally liable with the seller for compliance with the contract that was made between the buyer and the seller, but he's also obligated to tell them that he isn't authorized to provide repairs or inspections pursuant to the manufacturer's warranty. But that does not take him out of the loop as far as being liable to see that that is done. He may have to make some arrangements with either the manufacturer or another franchise holder that is authorized, but he subjects himself or puts himself in a place of being liable for seeing that that repair occurs.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Okay. What then is the value of the dealer saying that he's not authorized to do it? Is it like a courtesy? I mean isn't it...

SENATOR BROMM: I...I think that...

SENATOR BEUTLER: ...going to be confusing to the consumer to say, I'm liable, but I don't do this?

SENATOR BROMM: Well, I think that's a matter of being clear and honest with the buyer so that the buyer realizes that, yes, they've got someone here that's liable for seeing that this is done, but he's also telling you my shop can't do it because I'm not an authorized repair person under the warranty provisions. And it could either, as it was pointed out yesterday, that could...that could jeopardize the warranty, the manufacturer, of course, wouldn't reimburse that dealer for that repair. It's really, I think, being honest with the buyer, the consumer, that this is the situation. If you arranged to have the car just dropped at my shop and you pick it up here, that's fine, but...