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Statement from LA Public Defenders Union on Motion to Prohibit Unlawful Possession of Catalytic Converters

“The motion proposed by the City Council is duplicative, unnecessary, and doesn’t make LA safer.

As public defenders, we know that this legislation will do nothing to stop the theft of catalytic converters. The possession of stolen items, including catalytic converters, is already criminalized by the penal code.

It’s obvious that the only impact this proposal will have will be to increase spending on policing and jails—money that could be spent to reduce soaring inequality in LA.”