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Committee to discuss vehicle thefts TODAY

During today's meeting of the Judiciary and Legislation Committee, the committee will hear file #210367 - communication from the Milwaukee Police Department and certain car manufacturers relating to a recent significant increase in stolen vehicles. The file was introduced by **Alderman Milele A. Coggs** and is co-sponsored by **Alderman Khalif J. Rainey** and **Alderman Nikiya Dodd**.

The communication file comes on the heels of Alderman Coggs and Alderman Rainey addressing letters last month to KIA and Hyundai, whose models represent a significant portion of vehicle thefts occurring in Milwaukee. Representatives from the Milwaukee Police Department will be in attendance to discuss their work in curbing vehicle thefts, and the Office of the City Attorney will also have representatives present to address potential legal remedies.

The sponsors believe the recent spike in automobile thefts occurring throughout Milwaukee has been alarming, and the intent of the file is to have a full and transparent discussion so the public knows what is and what can be done to combat this problem, particularly as it pertains to the KIA and Hyundai models that are targeted at a higher rate.

Response letters from both Kia and Hyundai can be found [here](#). The committee meeting will begin at **1:30 p.m.** and will be televised live on the City Channel (channel 25 on Spectrum Cable and channel 99 on AT&T U-Verse in the City of Milwaukee) and via streaming video on the city website at city.milwaukee.gov/Channel25.