

## **NEVER** Buy a Used Car Without Studying its Repair History

If you are contemplating the purchase of a used car from a dealer who sells both new and used cars, then remember that every car that's serviced gets entered into its computer system, and if the dealer is also an authorized dealer for the brand of auto you are looking at, it has access to the manufacturer's warranty repair history. Don't even think about buying a used Ford from a Ford dealer without obtaining copies of the car's entire dealer repair history. This is not an unreasonable request. Many certified pre-owned car programs actually require the dealer to provide a car's prior repair history.

Even if you are not at a matching authorized new car dealer, a wise mechanic who inspects a vehicle can often spot prior repairs. See, "**NEVER** buy a used car without having it thoroughly tested and inspected by an experienced and certified ASE mechanic or technician."