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Wheego Partners with Kennesaw State University for Remote-Controlled Car



What happens when an autonomously driven car needs help – for example, it hits an ice patch or a construction zone, or is waved over by the police? Wheego is exploring the idea of a remote-controlled car, so that an autonomous car (or a passenger in it) could request help, and a remote “operator” could take over driving the car temporarily to get it off the road or through the rough patch. In a project sponsored by Wheego Technologies, a team of senior design students at Kennesaw State University in Georgia successfully adapted a Wheego LiFe with the cameras, drive-by-wire technology and communication systems to do just that. Check out the [video from their final project](#), showing a Wheego LiFe being remotely driven around a parking lot from a computer console.

Congratulations to Austin Sadler, Rory Charest, Adam Ramsey and Mikko Cain, new KSU grads!

Atlanta Committee for Progress Test Drives a Wheego

Wheego recently hosted a visit from the [Atlanta Committee for Progress](#) (ACP), and members of the [Renew Atlanta project](#). The ACP website describes the group as follows: “The Atlanta Committee for Progress, Inc. (ACP) brings together the top CEOs and leaders from Atlanta’s private sector, universities, and nonprofits to provide leadership on issues of great impact for the City via a highly effective partnership with the Mayor of Atlanta. Members serve on working task forces to provide best practice expertise and jumpstart problem-solving. The ACP is a highly-focused, intentional, and energetic organization to which top Atlanta leaders commit their time on an ongoing basis.”



Jim Hannon, President of Georgia Pacific

Federal Regulation of Self-Driving Cars



From the [National Law Review](#):

The first self-driving car appeared on public roads in 2009. Since then, hundreds of other companies have begun working on various technologies designed to put self-driving cars on public roads, and the regulation of autonomous vehicles has been left up to the individual states.

In a bipartisan effort, a House Energy and Commerce subcommittee recently voted to end the patchwork of state regulations with the Highly Automated Vehicle Testing and

Deployment Act of 2017. The full vote of the House of Representatives will not take place until after the summer recess.

The regulations would give the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) broad oversight over autonomous vehicles, and prevent individual states from enacting their own automated car laws. States, however, would retain the ability to require licensing, registration, and maintenance regulations.

Under these regulations, up to 100,000 self-driving vehicles would initially be allowed on public roads for testing purposes. These vehicles would not be required to adhere to current vehicle safety standards. The vehicle manufacturers would establish the criteria under which the autonomous vehicles would operate. This would allow autonomous cars to drive on US roads before establishing baseline criteria that determine whether self-driving cars are safe on public roads with human drivers. Proponents of the regulations believe that this legislation will speed up and enhance development of self-driving car technology, and make public roads safer because approximately 94% of fatal automobile accidents have been determined to be caused by human error. The argument is that roads will be safer when human drivers are taken out of the equation.

Opponents of the regulations point out that, at present, there is currently no data available to back up the claim that self-driving cars will make the roads safer. Furthermore, opponents argue that this legislation makes public roads available to automakers as private laboratories without due protection to the public.

Retail Delivery Report

Remember, you need to submit a Retail Delivery Report within 24 hours of your sale of a Wheego. Easiest way: Fill it out online at dealer.wheego.net, or return the hard copy we provide with each LiFe to [Leslie Nolen](#). Your customer will also need to sign a form acknowledging proper lithium battery care. Please fill out the report completely – we need a good **cell phone number** and an email address so that we know how to contact our driver.



**Who on your staff is responsible for keeping the LiFe plugged in at the dealership?
Please get in the habit of plugging your LiFe in every night! If you leave it unplugged, it will ruin the batteries.**



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Best Regards,

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