

Directions: In this section, there is a passage with ten blanks. You are required to select one word for each blank from a list of choices given in a word bank following the passage. Read the passage through carefully before making your choices. Each choice in the bank is identified by a letter. Please mark the corresponding letter for each item on **Answer Sheet 2** with a single line through the centre. You may not use any of the words in the bank more than once.

The center of American automobile innovation has in the past decade moved 2,000 miles away. It has 26 from Detroit to Silicon Valley, where self-driving vehicles are coming into life.

In a 27 to take production back to Detroit, Michigan lawmakers have introduced 28 that could make their state the best place in the country, if not the world, to develop self-driving vehicles and put them on the road.

"Michigan's 29 in auto research and development is under attack from several states and countries which desire to 30 our leadership in transportation. We can't let that happen," says Senator Mike Kowall, the lead 31 of four bills recently introduced.

If all four bills pass as written, they would 32 a substantial update of Michigan's 2013 law that allowed the testing of self-driving vehicles in limited conditions. Manufacturers would have nearly total freedom to test their self-driving technology on public roads. They would be allowed to send groups of self-driving cars on cross-state road trips, and even set up on-demand 33 of self-driving cars, like the one General Motors and Lyft are building.

Lawmakers in Michigan clearly want to make the state ready for the commercial application of self-driving technology. In 34, California, home of Silicon Valley, recently proposed far more 35 rules that would require human drivers to be ready to take the wheel, and ban commercial use of self-driving technology.

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| A) bid | I) replace |
| B) contrast | J) represent |
| C) deputy | K) restrictive |
| D) dominance | L) reward |
| E) fleets | M) significant |
| F) knots | N) sponsor |
| G) legislation | O) transmitted |
| H) migrated | |