

CERTAIN 2001-2004 MODEL YEAR ESCAPE VEHICLES WITH 3.0L ENGINE AND SPEED CONTROL — ENGINE COVER MODIFICATION

OVERVIEW

In some of the affected vehicles, there may be inadequate clearance between the engine cover and the speed control cable, which could allow the throttle to stick when the accelerator pedal is fully or almost-fully depressed, increasing the risk of an accident.

Parts are not currently available to perform the permanent repair. Until service parts to modify the engine cover are available, dealers are to perform the interim repair described below to eliminate the possibility of a stuck throttle when the accelerator is fully or almost-fully depressed. It is anticipated that parts for the permanent repair will be available mid-August 2012.

INTERIM REPAIR PROCEDURE

1. Remove the three nuts and the engine cover. See Figure 1.

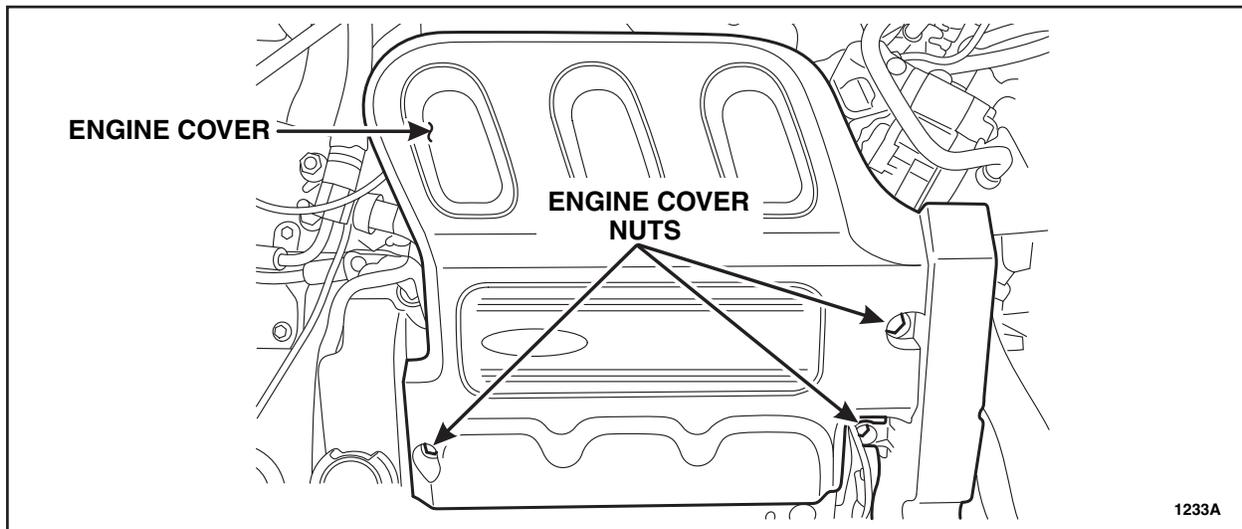


FIGURE 1



2. Slide the speed control cable off of the throttle body lever nail head. See Figure 2.

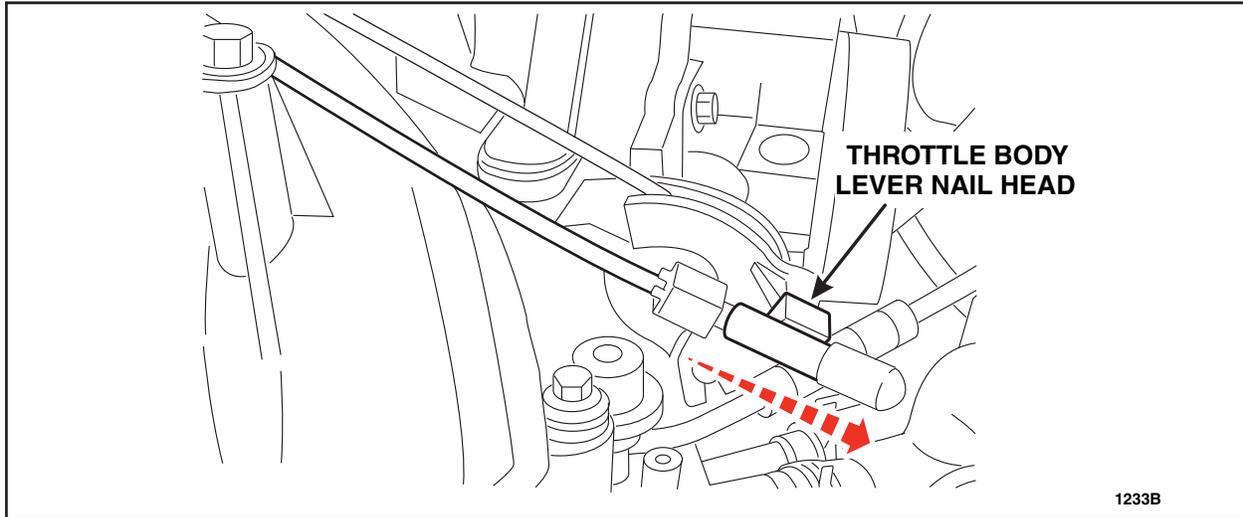


FIGURE 2

3. Loosen the RH throttle cable bracket bolt and remove the LH throttle cable bracket bolt. See Figure 3. Rotate the bracket to allow enough clearance for the speed control cable to be positioned under the bracket.

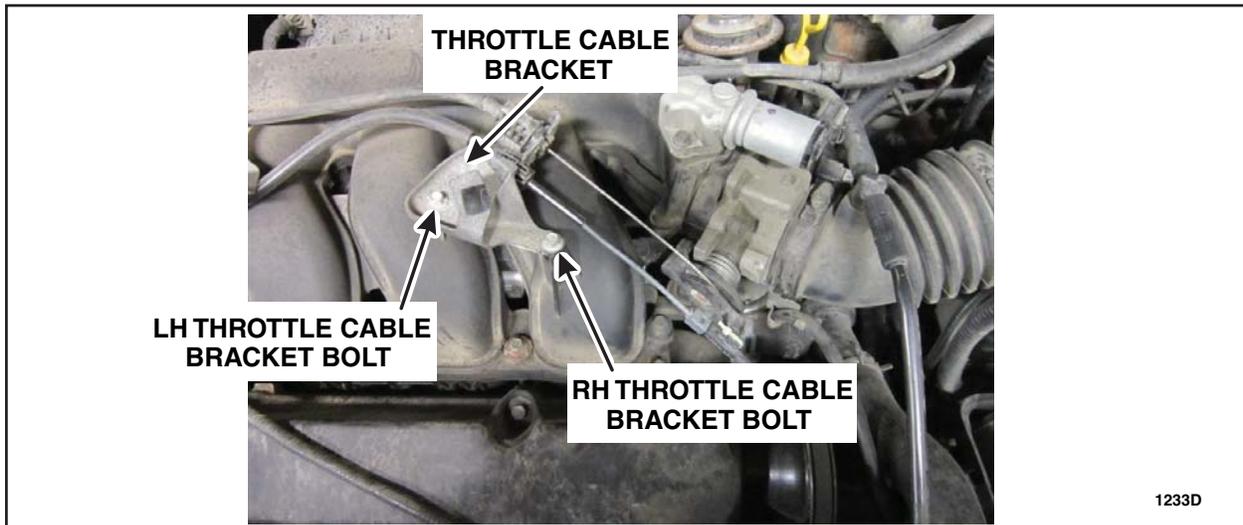


FIGURE 3



NOTICE: Do not bend the speed control cable in order to route it under the throttle cable bracket. The throttle cable bracket must be positioned aside or damage to the speed control cable may occur. See Figure 4.

4. Route the speed control cable under the bracket as shown in "correct installation" below. See Figure 4.

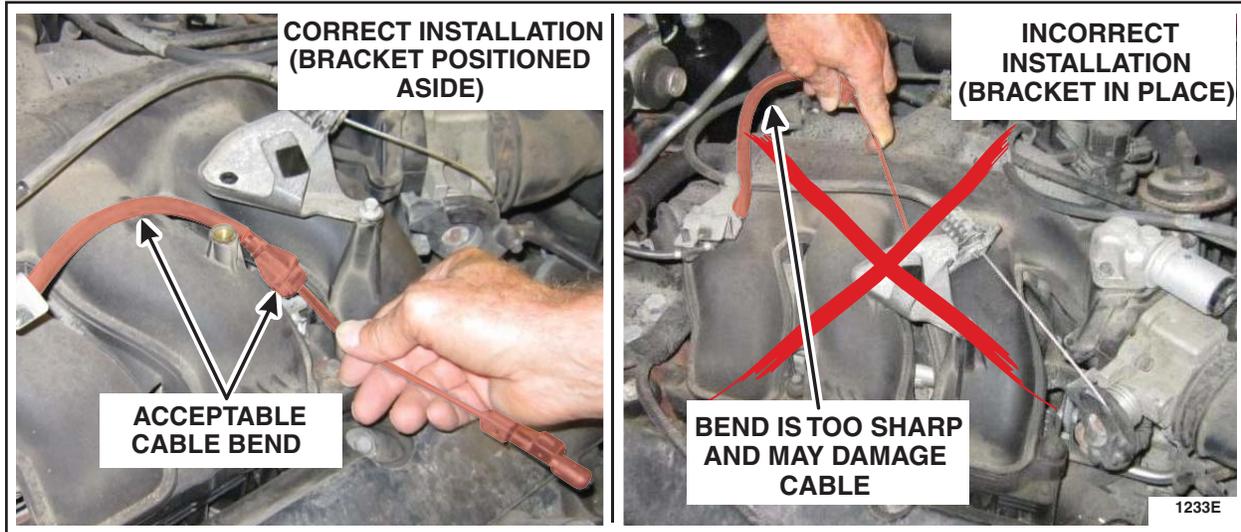


FIGURE 4

5. Reposition the throttle cable bracket and tighten both bolts. See Figure 5.

- Tighten the throttle cable bracket bolts to 10 Nm (89 lb-in).

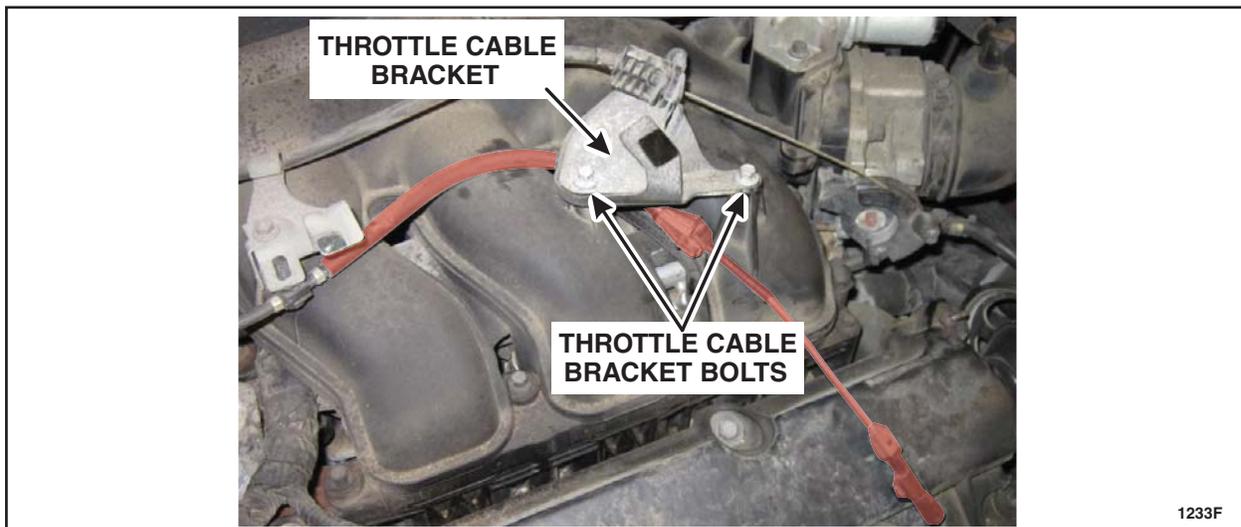


FIGURE 5



6. Reinstall the engine cover and tighten the three nuts. See Figure 1.
 - Tighten the engine cover nuts to 6 Nm (53 lb-in).
7. Return the vehicle to the customer and provide them with a copy of the Customer Information Sheet.

