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Improper Driver's Side Window Operation

Owners of late-model Subaru vehicles equipped with power windows may complain of improper driver's side window operation. The power window motor may continue to run after the window is all the way down, eventually causing the circuit breaker to trip. Another possible complaint is a power window switch that will not "pop" back after engaging the "auto down" function.

Both of these complaints may have some things in common:

- If the window switch will not operate properly in the "auto down" mode, determine whether it will function properly in the "manual down" mode.
- Check the operation of the power window switch with the ignition key ON, but the engine OFF.

If the window switch now operates properly, you've found the problem.

Inspect the vehicle's charging system and check for erratic output voltages. If erratic output voltages are found, replace the alternator. The power window switch should now function normally.