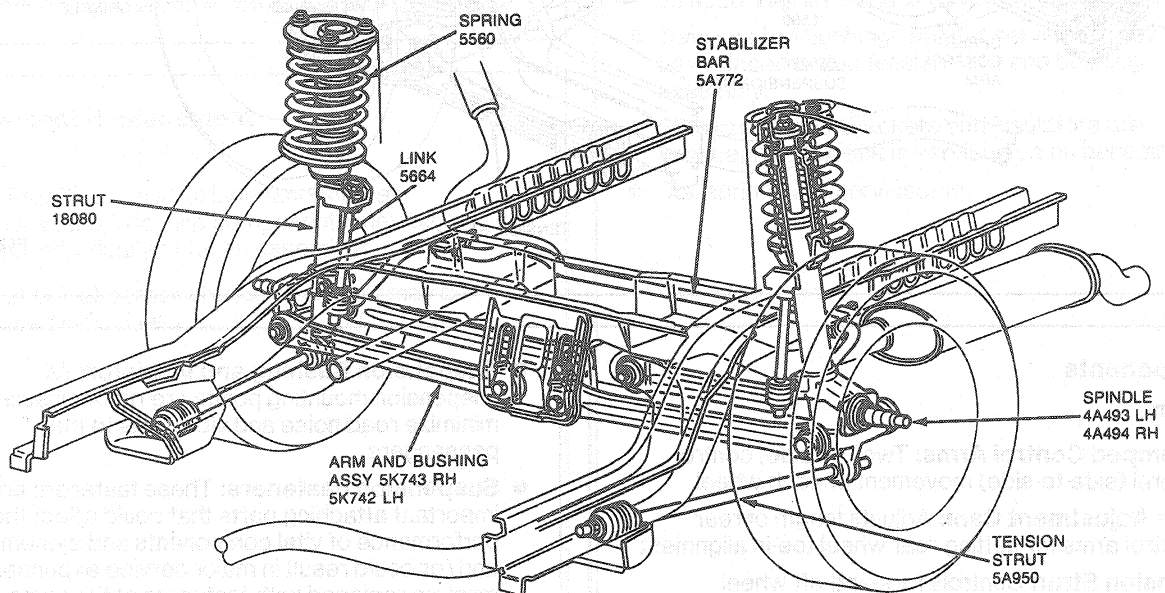


DESCRIPTION AND OPERATION (Continued)

The shock absorber strut assembly includes an upper washer, top mount, dust shield, jounce bumper, coil spring insulator, coil spring, spring damper and lower washer. The strut assembly is attached at the top by three studs, which retain the top mount of the strut to the inner body side panel. The lower end of the assembly is attached to the spindle with a pinch clamp and bolt that goes through a locator tab welded to the strut. The two stamped control arms attach to the underbody and spindle with nuts and bolts. A tension strut attaches to the underbody and to the cast spindle.

CAUTION: Rear suspension fasteners are important parts because they could affect the performance of vital components and systems and/or could result in major service expense. They must be replaced with the same part number or with an equivalent part if replacement becomes necessary. Do not use a replacement part of lesser quality or substitute design. Torque values must be used as specified during re-assembly to ensure proper retention of this part.



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Station Wagon

The station wagon suspension consists of five major components: the upper and lower control arms, shock absorber, two-piece cast spindle, tension strut, and a coil spring mounted between the lower suspension arm and the body crossmember.