

CHINA AUTOMOTIVE SYSTEMS INC  
Form 8-K  
May 15, 2012

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

**Washington, D.C. 20549**

**Form 8-K**

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of

The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): May 15, 2012

**China Automotive Systems, Inc.**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

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| Delaware  | 000-33123                | 33-0885775                              |
| (State or other jurisdiction of<br>incorporation or organization) | (Commission File Number) | (I.R.S. Employer<br>Identification No.) |

**No. 1 Henglong Road, Yu Qiao Development Zone**  
**Shashi District, Jing Zhou City**  
**Hubei Province**  
**People's Republic of China**  
(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code **(86) 27-5981 8527**

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- .. Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers;  
5.02 Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers

On May 15, 2012, the board of directors (the “Board”) of China Automotive Systems, Inc. (the “Company) received a resignation letter from Mr. Bruce C. Richardson, wherein Mr. Richardson resigned as a director of the Company and as the chairman of the audit committee of the Board and a member of the compensation and nominating committees of the Board. Mr. Richardson’s resignation was not the result of any disagreement with the Company on any matter relating to the Company’s operations, policies or practices and was effective immediately.

On May 15, 2012, the Board appointed Mr. Arthur Wong as a director of the Company, to serve as the chairman of the audit committee of the Board and a member of the compensation and nominating committees of the Board.

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Company has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

**China Automotive Systems, Inc.**  
(Registrant)

Date: May 15, 2012 By: /s/ Hanlin Chen  
Hanlin Chen  
Chairman