

## IN THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES

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Introduce the Following Bill to the Virtual Congress of the United States of America:

## A Bill

To Safeguard the Right to Repair One's Own Belongings.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**SECTION 1**. This Legislation may be cited as the "Right to Repair Act"

**SECTION 2**. It shall hereby be illegal for private companies to prohibit their customers from fixing or repairing their products themselves or through a third party after they have been purchased.

A. Products shall be defined as "an article or substance that is manufactured or refined for sale."

- B. This legislation shall specifically pertain to electronic devices, motor vehicles, and farming equipment.
- **SECTION 3**. If convicted of attempting to prohibit or prevent private repairs by shutting the product down, intentionally making the product unusable, or through any other method of disabling, said company shall reimburse the affected consumer double the price paid for said product.
- **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall not apply to those products which have been rented, borrowed, or purchased on lease.
- **SECTION 5.** This legislation will be enacted as of fiscal year 2021.
- **SECTION 6.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.