We are at a crossroads right now.
We need to decide if sustainability matters more to us as a culture.
We don't hesitate to say environmentally responsible things, but we rarely back those words with actions.

Manufacturers throw words around like "safety" and "security" to justify their repair-obstructing actions. And politicians (who are SUPPOSED TO represent their constituents NOT big companies) continually, through intent or bureaucratic inertia, fail to see through the claims made by manufacturers and their lobbyists. No one is asking for information that would allow someone to produce a counterfeit iPhone or Galaxy phone in their garage - that's silly and is not something that can happen through the simple availability of diagnostic information and repair parts.

Manufacturers do not care about that, however. They care about sales numbers. They care about profits. They do not care that our shop can get someone their baby pictures back despite Apple claiming that it is impossible. They do not care that it takes well more than 50 pounds of processed raw materials to make that smartphone that weighs far less than a pound. They do not care that you cannot replace the pictures of your lost loved one that are only on the phone that got dropped in the water. They will, however, sell you a brand new phone with a smile on their face. They do not care how hard "we the people" work for our money. But, they should.

Start by doing the right thing. Pass this bill. Make Right to Repair a reality here in Oregon. Let's Pioneer this!