

SB 550 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Energy and Environment

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Requires an original equipment manufacturer of electric wheelchairs and complex rehabilitation technology to make tools, parts, or other devices or implements that are made available to an authorized service provider to diagnose, maintain, repair or update consumer equipment available to owners or independent repair providers on fair and reasonable terms.

REVENUE: May have revenue impact, but no statement yet issued

FISCAL: May have fiscal impact, but no statement yet issued

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

According to the National Conference on State Legislatures "right to repair" legislation is directed at the ability of a consumer to repair their own product instead of having to go back to the original manufacturer for service. As of January 2025, seven states had enacted some form of right to repair legislation. In 2024, the Oregon Legislative Assembly enacted Senate Bill 1596 which required a manufacturer to make available, to an owner or independent repair provider, on fair and reasonable terms any documentation, tool, part, or other device used to diagnose, maintain, repair, or update certain electronic devices if it is made available to an authorized service provider. Senate Bill 550 would expand the requirement to include electric wheelchairs and complex rehabilitation technology.