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Governor Kotek's Signature Makes Oregon a Leader in Right to Repair Movement

Senate Bill 1596 gives consumers more choices when repairing their own electronic devices

SALEM, OR – Today, Governor Tina Kotek signed <u>Senate Bill 1596</u>, Oregon's Right to Repair reforms, into law.

"This is a huge win for Oregon consumers and the Right to Repair movement, as a whole," said **Senator Janeen Sollman (D - Hillsboro)**, who has championed Right to Repair legislation for years in the State Capitol. "With Governor Kotek's signature, our new Right to Repair law is a reasonable, common sense step to lower costs and put more power back in the hands of consumers."

"The Right to Repair is now the law in Oregon," **Governor Tina Kotek** said. "This is a win for consumers and will help bridge our digital divide and support small businesses across our state."

SB 1596 makes repairing electronic devices more fair and affordable in Oregon. It requires original equipment manufacturers to provide repair tools and information to owners and independent repair providers so consumers have more choices when it comes to fixing their electronic devices.

By making it easier for Oregonians to repair their devices instead of buying new ones, SB 1596 also strives to reduce waste.

SB 1596 passed the legislature with bipartisan support.

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