

General Assembly

Proposed Bill No. 5755

January Session, 2023



Referred to Committee on HUMAN SERVICES

Introduced by: REP. DEMICCO, 21st Dist.

AN ACT CONCERNING A CONSUMER'S RIGHT TO REPAIR POWERED WHEELCHAIRS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 That title 17a of the general statutes be amended to (1) allow an owner
- 2 of a powered wheelchair or an independent repair provider of such
- 3 owner's choice to conduct diagnostic, maintenance or repair services on
- 4 the owner's powered wheelchair, and (2) require a powered wheelchair
- 5 manufacturer to provide parts, embedded software, firmware, tools, or
- 6 documentation, such as diagnostic, maintenance, or repair manuals,
- 7 diagrams, or similar information, to such owners and independent
- 8 repair providers to allow an owner or independent repair provider to
- 9 conduct diagnostic, maintenance or repair services on the owner's
- 10 powered wheelchair.

Statement of Purpose:

To enable owners of powered wheelchairs to conduct necessary maintenance and prompt repairs of such wheelchairs, averting unnecessary delays, excessive expenses and negative impacts on their quality of life.

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