

**Submitted Electronically**  
**Written Testimony of the Truck and Engine Manufacturers Association**

**By**  
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**RI SB 2487/H 7180**  
**Senate Judiciary Committee**  
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Chair LaMountain, Vice Chair McKenney, Secretary Bissailon and Honorable Members of the Senate Judiciary Committee:

The Truck and Engine Manufacturers Association (EMA) opposes RI SB 2487 and its companion bill H 7180 unless amended to limit the scope of the legislation to personal consumer electronic devices.

EMA represents the world's leading manufacturers of commercial vehicles as well as on- and off-road engines used in applications such as trucks; buses and specialty vehicles; construction, utility and farm equipment; locomotives; marine vessels; landscaping equipment; and stationary generators.

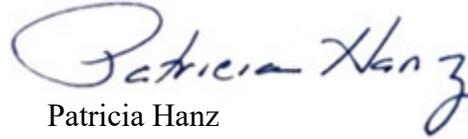
EMA supports efforts to standardize the right-to-repair of digital equipment/consumer electronics and suggests that the Committee review the State Model Legislation drafted by CTA and TechNet which is attached for your convenience. If the Committee chooses to proceed with SB 2487/HR 7180 we respectfully request that the scope and requirements be amended to use the definition of "digital electronics", including a list of exemptions, from the CTA-TechNet State Model Legislation, and specifically exclude all reference to commercial and non-road vehicles and equipment.

Our industry has been excluded from similar digital right to repair bills enacted in Minnesota, New York, Connecticut, California and Washington using the following exclusionary language and we encourage the Committee to consider the same:

"Manufacturers, distributor, importers or dealers of all non-road equipment, including without limitation, forestry equipment, industrial equipment, utility equipment, construction equipment, compact construction equipment, road-building equipment, mining equipment, turf, yard and garden equipment, outdoor power equipment, portable generators, marine, all-terrain sports and recreational vehicles (including racing vehicles), stand-alone or integrated stationary or mobile internal combustion engines or other power sources (including without limitation generator sets, electric/battery and fuel cell power), power tools, and any tools, technology attachments, accessories, components and repair parts for any of the foregoing."

Thank you for the opportunity to provide our comments. If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at: [phanz@emamail.org](mailto:phanz@emamail.org), or at (312) 929-1979.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Patricia Hanz". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "P" and a long, sweeping tail on the "z".

Patricia Hanz

cc: Senator Britto

Attachment: Model State Digital Legislation