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The Honorable Chris R. Holden, Chair  
Assembly Appropriations Committee  
1021 O Street, Suite 8220  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Assembly Member Holden:

**SUPPORT – SENATE BILL 244 (EGGMAN) AS REVISED ON JULY 6, 2023 – RIGHT TO REPAIR ACT**

The Los Angeles County Solid Waste Management Committee/Integrated Waste Management Task Force (Task Force) is pleased to **support** Senate Bill 244 (SB 244), as revised on July 6, 2023.

The proposed legislation, if enacted, would require manufacturers of an electronic or appliance product with a wholesale price to the retailer of not less than \$50 to make available, on fair and reasonable terms, sufficient service documentation and prescribed functional parts and tools to owners of the product, authorized service and repair providers in order to diagnose, maintain, or repair a product for at least three years after the last date a product model or type was manufactured, regardless of whether the three-year period exceeds the warranty period for the product.

The Task Force agrees the bill is an important step towards ensuring that consumers have the right to repair their own electronic devices especially those designed to be difficult or impossible to repair by third-party technicians. These barriers to repair make it difficult and expensive for consumers to keep their devices running. In some cases, it may even be impossible to repair a device without voiding the warranty. This can be a major financial burden for consumers who have no viable option to repair a device. The Right to Repair Act would address these barriers by requiring manufacturers to provide access to diagnostic and repair information, as well as replacement parts, to independent repair shops. Additionally, the proposal would establish and provide a fair marketplace for the repair of electronic equipment while prohibiting intentional barriers and limitations to third-party repair. Furthermore, SB 244 as revised on July 6, 2023, would further extend the life of a product and provide consumers access to cost-effective alternatives to newly repaired/refurbished products and replacement parts.

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Pursuant to Chapter 3.67 of the Los Angeles County Code and the California Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989 (Assembly Bill 939), the Task Force is responsible for coordinating the development of all major solid waste planning documents prepared for the County of Los Angeles and the 88 cities in Los Angeles County with a combined population in excess of ten million. Consistent with these responsibilities and to ensure a coordinated and cost-effective and environmentally sound solid waste management system in Los Angeles County, the Task Force also addresses issues impacting the system on a countywide basis. The Task Force membership includes representatives of the League of California Cities-Los Angeles County Division, County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors, City of Los Angeles, waste management industry, environmental groups, the public, and a number of other governmental agencies.

Based on the foregoing, the Task Force strongly **supports** SB 244 as revised on July 6, 2023. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Mike Mohajer, a member of the Task Force, at [MikeMohajer@gmail.com](mailto:MikeMohajer@gmail.com) or at (909) 592-1147.

Sincerely,



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