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In 2024, the Oregon Legislature enacted SB 1596 which requires 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. SB 550 would expand the requirement to include electric wheelchairs and complex rehabilitation technology. This makes complete sense to me.

Currently, Oregonians living with physical, mental, and developmental disabilities, including seniors and children, are forced to wait weeks or months for even small CRT repairs. Being confined to bed due to a lack of necessary medical technology creates more health problems and limits a person's ability to care for their own needs.

I see this bill has already passed the Senate 27-1. Thank you. (But seriously, who could vote against a bill to better serve disable Oregonians?)