

March 11, 2019

The Honorable Peter Fischer 551 State Office Building St. Paul, MN 55155

RE: Include motorcycles and ATVs in Right to Repair legislation HF 1138

Dear Representative Fischer:

The American Motorcyclist Association believes motorcycle owners must have the right to repair their motorcycles or have them serviced at the independent repair facility of their choice. Many motorcyclists take great pride in maintaining their motorcycles, and this practice is part of the attraction to the lifestyle for many riders.

The availability of parts, tools and service manuals is critical for a healthy motorcycling community. Factory-authorized motorcycle dealerships are not nearly as common as car dealerships and may not even work on older motorcycles, forcing a motorcyclist to travel great distances or pay excessive costs for service. This may dissuade potential new motorcyclists from joining the motorcycling world and push existing riders out of it.

Founded in 1924, the AMA is a nonprofit organization with more than 212,000 members and representing more than 10 million American households that own motorcycles. Our mission is to promote the motorcycle lifestyle and protect the future of motorcycling. As part of that mission, we strongly support the inclusion of motorcycles and ATVs in any right-to-repair provisions.

Thank you for your time and consideration of these comments. Should you have any questions please contact me at 202-220-1393 or msayre@ama-cycle.org.

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