

March 26, 2023

The Honorable Zack Stephenson  
Minnesota House of Representatives  
Room 449, State Office Building  
100 Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard  
St. Paul, MN 55155-1232

Re: **CTA Opposition to HF 2680**

Dear Chair Stephenson and members of the Commerce, Finance, and Policy Committee:

On behalf of Consumer Technology Association (CTA), we are writing in opposition to the current repair provisions in HF 2680.

CTA is the trade association representing the U.S. consumer technology industry. Our members are the world's leading innovators – from startups to global brands – helping to support more than 18 million American jobs. Our membership is mostly small businesses and startups, but also includes some of the world's best-known manufacturer and retail brands.

CTA and TechNet are in active discussions with repair advocates to find common ground on repair bill language that will ensure that consumers and independent repair providers receive the same or equivalent treatment as authorized manufacturer repair providers for purposes of repairing consumer technology devices. CTA also stands ready to work with repair advocates to establish a national Memorandum of Understanding to facilitate repair nationally consistent with the recently enacted New York repair law. Enactment of varying state repair laws with different requirements and definitions subject to differing interpretations by state courts and regulators is a major concern for our industry.

Thank you again for the opportunity for us to provide our thoughts on this legislation.

Sincerely,



Walter Alcorn  
Consumer Technology Association  
VP, Environmental Affairs