

Testimony in favor of HB1193  
House Economic Matters Committee  
March 8, 2023 1:00 p.m.

Thank you, honorable members of the House Economic Matters Committee, for allowing me to present to you today on HB1193.

My name is Tim Hollenshade, and I am a fourth-generation car mechanic. Located in Baltimore County, our family auto repair business has served the public since 1939. I'm here today to urge you to consider the favorable passage of this Right to Repair bill.

Before diving into any technical detail, I wanted to highlight this matter in broad strokes. The bill presented before you today isn't new legislation at all, but rather a modernization of the existing framework. For decades now, Right to Repair legislation has preserved and protected consumers' rights. Specifically, their right to choose a preferred service provider. By preserving this fundamental consumer protection, the cost of vehicle maintenance and ownership for drivers, families, and businesses has remained reasonable and competitive.

Right to Repair legislation has far-reaching economic implications that impact Marylanders across the state.

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I've kept these remarks brief to reserve time to answer any questions you may have. Thank you for your consideration of these statements and taking a favorable position on this bill.

Sincerely,

Timothy Hollenshade