

**Department of Planning and Budget**  
**2025 General Assembly Session**  
**State Fiscal Impact Statement**

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**ORIGINAL**

**Bill Number:** HB2483 **Patron:** Glass  
**Bill Title:** Digital Right to Repair Act; access to diagnostics, tools, service documentation, and firmware; penalties; civil action.

**Bill Summary:** Requires an original equipment manufacturer (OEM) of digital electronic equipment, or parts for such equipment, to make available to owners of such equipment and to independent repair providers, on fair and reasonable terms, documentation, parts, and tools for purposes of diagnosis, maintenance, or repair of such equipment. The bill requires, for digital electronic equipment that contains an electronic security lock or other security-related function, OEMs to make available to the owners of such equipment and to independent repair providers, on fair and reasonable terms, any special documentation, parts, and tools needed to disable such lock or function and to reset it when disabled. A violation of the bill's provisions is a prohibited practice under the Virginia Consumer Protection Act. Any person who suffers a loss as the result of a violation of the bill's provisions shall be entitled to initiate an action for an injunction to enforce such provisions. The bill applies with respect to equipment sold or in use in the Commonwealth on or after January 1, 2026.

**Budget Amendment Necessary:** Yes **Items Impacted:** Item 51  
**Explanation:** Funding is required for additional staff to meet the requirements of the bill.

**Fiscal Summary:** The Office of the Attorney General and the Department of Law (OAG) estimates this bill generates a need for four additional staff members at an annual cost of \$247,794.

**General Fund Expenditure Impact:**

<b>Agency</b>	<b><u>FY2025</u></b>	<b><u>FY2026</u></b>	<b><u>FY2027</u></b>	<b><u>FY2028</u></b>	<b><u>FY2029</u></b>	<b><u>FY2030</u></b>
OAG	\$0	\$247,794	\$247,794	\$247,794	\$247,794	\$247,794
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$247,794</b>	<b>\$247,794</b>	<b>\$247,794</b>	<b>\$247,794</b>	<b>\$247,794</b>

**Position Impact:**

<b>Agency</b>	<b><u>FY2025</u></b>	<b><u>FY2026</u></b>	<b><u>FY2027</u></b>	<b><u>FY2028</u></b>	<b><u>FY2029</u></b>	<b><u>FY2030</u></b>
OAG	0	2	2	2	2	2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>

**Fiscal Analysis:** The OAG expects that this legislation will result in additional complaints from consumers and businesses, as well as additional investigations and enforcement actions. As a result, the OAG estimates the

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need for one Assistant Attorney General and one Dispute Resolution Specialist at an annual cost of \$247,794 to meet the requirements of this bill.

**Other:** None.