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## SECTIONAL ANALYSIS VERSION N

*SB 111: DIGITAL PRODUCT REPAIR*

**"An Act relating to the diagnosis, maintenance, and repair of products that use digital electronics to operate; adding an unlawful act to the Alaska Unfair Trade Practices and Consumer Protection Act; and providing for an effective date."**

**Section 1.** Establishes the short title.

**Section 2.** Amends *AS 45.45 Trade Practices* by adding Article 12A. Digital Product Repair and the following sections:

*Sec. 45.45.800* requires that digital product manufacturers:

- Make documentation, parts, and tools necessary for diagnosis, maintenance, or repair of digital products available to independent service providers or owners their products.
- Include changes to documentation, parts and tools made through updates, improvements, or repairs.

*Sec. 45.45.810* requires digital product manufacturers to make available documentation, tools, and parts needed to reset security-related features that may be disabled during the diagnosis, maintenance, or repair of the product.

*Sec. 45.45.820* states that digital product manufacturers don't have to make parts available if they no longer have access to the parts.

*Sec. 45.45.830* requires digital product manufacturers to make documentation, parts, and tools available to independent service providers or owners of the products at a reasonable price. Manufacturers cannot charge independent service providers or owners a price higher than what they charge authorized service providers for the same documentation, parts, or tools.

- Farm equipment is exempted from the independent service provider requirement.

*Sec. 45.45.840* states that an independent service provider:

- Works in the business of diagnosis, maintenance, or repair of digital products in Alaska
- Is not a digital product manufacturer, doesn't have a contract or license with, and isn't affiliated with anyone who has a contract or a license with a digital product manufacturer.

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*Sec. 45.45.850* states that a person is an authorized service provider under *AS 45.45.800-45.45.890* if they have:

- A license to offer digital product diagnosis, repair, or maintenance under the manufacturer's name, or
- A contract with a digital product manufacturer to provide diagnosis, repair, or maintenance of the manufacturer's products.

A digital product manufacturer who offers diagnosis, maintenance, or repair of its own products is considered an authorized service provider for the purposes of *AS 45.45.800-45.45.890*.

*Sec. 45.45.860* states that digital product manufacturers don't have to disclose trade secrets to independent service providers or owners unless necessary to make documentation, parts, and tools available.

*Sec. 45.45.870* states that:

- Agreements that waive, restrict, or limit obligations of digital product manufacturers are not enforceable.
- Digital product manufacturers cannot be held liable for injuries or damages that occur during diagnosis, maintenance, or repair of products by independent service providers or owners.
- This act does not apply to the diagnosis, maintenance, or repair of motor vehicles

*Sec. 45.45.880* states that information other than product documentation in a license or contract between digital product manufacturers and authorized service providers isn't required to be made available to independent service providers or owners.

*Sec. 45.45.890* provides definitions.

**Section 3.** Amends *AS 45.50.471(b)* by adding violations of SB 111 Digital Product Repair statutes *AS 45.45.800-45.45.890* to the list of unfair methods of competition and unfair or deceptive acts or practices declared to be unlawful.

**Section 4.** Amends the uncodified law of the State of Alaska by adding a section describing the applicability of this Act.

**Section 5.** Amends the uncodified law of the State of Alaska by adding a section stating the Act cannot change the terms of a license or contract that is in effect before the effective date of this Act.

**Section 6.** Provides the effective date of January 1, 2026.