

MOTION

No. 9

Reducing waste and promoting the right to repair

Peter Bevan-Baker gives notice that tomorrow he will move, seconded by Lynne Lund, the following motion:

WHEREAS the volume of waste from products containing electronic components has been steadily rising for many decades;

AND WHEREAS the costs and inconvenience to repair many consumer products frequently results in the disposal of goods that could often be easily and cheaply repaired;

AND WHEREAS manufacturers increasingly do not supply parts, tools, or manuals that would make diagnosis and resolution of problems possible for individuals or third-party businesses;

AND WHEREAS Prince Edward Island has shown leadership nationally in sustainable waste management;

AND WHEREAS many other jurisdictions, including at least two Canadian provinces, are considering or have enacted “Right to Repair” legislation;

AND WHEREAS the government of Sweden has proposed a tax cut on repairs to household goods to encourage the recycling and reuse of goods;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly urge government to explore the creation of “Right to Repair” legislation;

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly urge government to explore the creation of a tax break on repairs to household goods.

Signed: Peter Bevan-Baker

Signed: Lynne Lund

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