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AN ACT TO AMEND THE FARM MACHINERY DEALERS AND VENDORS ACT

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BE IT ENACTED by the Lieutenant Governor and the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Prince Edward Island as follows:

- 1. Section 1 of the Farm Machinery Dealers and Vendors Act R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. F-4.01 is amended
 - (a) by the repeal of clause (a) and the substitution of the following:
 - (a) "**branded farm machinery**" means farm machinery branded as being produced by a specific vendor;
 - (a.1) "Court" means the Supreme Court;
 - (b) by the addition of the following after clause (d):
 - (d.1) "farm repair business" means a business that diagnoses, maintains or repairs farm machinery;
 - (c) by the addition of the following after clause (e):
 - (e.1) "purchaser" means a farmer who resides in Prince Edward Island and who
 - (i) purchases, or
 - (ii) leases, with or without the right to purchase,

farm machinery from a dealer in Prince Edward Island for the farmer's own use.

- 2. The Act is amended by the addition of the following after section 11:
- 11.1 Right to repair
- (1) At the request of a purchaser of farm machinery or a farm repair business, a vendor must, within a reasonable time, provide the most recent version of the repair manual, repair parts, software and other tools that the vendor uses, or provides to others, for

- (a) diagnosing, maintaining, or repairing its branded farm machinery; or
- (b) resetting an electronic security function of its branded farm machinery if the function is disabled during diagnosis, maintenance or repair.

No charge for repair manual

(2) The vendor must provide access to the repair manual at no charge, unless the purchaser or farm repair business requests a paper version of the repair manual.

Printed repair manual at cost

(3) If the purchaser or farm repair business requests a paper version of the repair manual, the vendor may charge a fee, but the fee may not exceed a reasonable estimate of the costs of printing the repair manual.

Confidentiality agreement

(4) The vendor may require a person who is provided a repair manual to sign a confidentiality agreement if the repair manual discloses a trade secret of the vendor.

Parts, software, tools at fair price

- (5) A vendor may charge a fee for providing parts, software and other tools but only if the vendor
 - (a) does not discriminate in respect of the amount of the fee charged to a purchaser or a farm repair business and any other person; and
 - (b) ensures that the net profit percentage of the charged fee does not exceed a reasonable estimate of the net profit percentage that the vendor earns for diagnostic, maintenance, or repair services, if the vendor provides those services.

11.2 Consequences of non-compliance

A vendor who refuses or is unable to comply with section 11.1 shall, upon request from a purchaser of the vendor's branded farm machinery,

- (a) replace the branded farm machinery at no cost; or
- (b) refund the amount paid by the purchaser to purchase the branded farm machinery.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

SECTION 1 requires a vendor to make the repair manual for its farm machinery available for free, or at a fair price if it is a printed version, and provide other items necessary to repair its farm machinery to purchasers and repair businesses at a fair price.

SECTION 2 provides that if a vendor does not make the necessary items available, the vendor must replace the farm machinery at no charge or refund the purchase price.

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