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SENATE BILL 762: North Carolina Farm Act of 2022, Sec. 3: Study Fair Repair Requirements for Manufacturers of Farm Equipment

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| Committee: | | Date: | July 28, 2022 |
| Introduced by: | | Prepared by: | Chris Saunders Staff Attorney |
| Analysis of: | Sec. 3 of S.L. 2022-55 | | |

OVERVIEW: Section 3 of S.L. 2022-55 directs the Agriculture and Forestry Awareness Study Commission to study whether to establish a "right to repair" for electronic farm equipment.

This section became effective July 8, 2022.

CURRENT LAW AND BILL ANALYSIS: Section 3 of S.L. 2022-55 directs the Agriculture and Forestry Awareness Study Commission to study whether to establish requirements for manufacturers of farm equipment to make documentation, parts, software, or tools required to diagnose, maintain, or repair electronically enabled farm equipment available to owners of the farm equipment or independent repair providers in the same manner as the documentation, parts, software, or tools are available to the manufacturer's authorized repair provider and, if so, the limitations and enforcement mechanisms that should apply to those requirements. The Commission must seek input from farm equipment manufacturers, independent repair providers and owners of farm equipment, the Department of Justice, and the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services and report its findings, including any proposed legislation, prior to the convening of the 2023 Regular Session.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This section of the act became effective July 8, 2022.

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