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The Honorable Roger Wicker Chairman Senate Commerce, Science, & Transportation Committee 219 Dirksen Senate Office Building Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Maria Cantwell Ranking Member Senate Commerce, Science, & Transportation Committee 219 Dirksen Senate Office Building Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Chairman Wicker and Ranking Member Cantwell:

I write to request that the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, & Transportation consider S. 142, the *American Data Dissemination (ADD) Act*, in order to ensure that consumers are provided with a national data privacy law that protects consumers while still protecting the ability of small businesses and start-ups to compete in the digital marketplace.

Although there is consensus across government, industry, and the American public about the need for a national privacy law, Congress has yet to take discernible action to address the privacy concerns raised by individuals, consumer groups and other interested parties. While this is a complex topic subject to legitimate policy disagreements about the best path forward to both protect consumers and our digital economy, it has become clear that decisive action is necessary. I believe the ADD Act provides the necessary framework to allow a consensus to be reached at the committee on the data privacy protections needed to adequately protect the American public.

Thank you for your consideration and I look forward to assisting in any way to ensure that this important topic is addressed.

Sincerely,

Marco Rubio U.S. Senator