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To improve the safety and security of Members of Congress, immediate family members of Members of Congress, and congressional staff.

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Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself and Mr. CRUZ) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

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## A BILL

To improve the safety and security of Members of Congress, immediate family members of Members of Congress, and congressional staff.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. PROTECTING COVERED INFORMATION IN PUB-**  
4 **LIC RECORDS.**

5 (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

6 (1) APPLICABLE LEGISLATIVE OFFICERS.—The  
7 term “applicable legislative officers” means—

8 (A) with respect to a Member of the Sen-  
9 ate, the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of

1 the Senate and the Secretary of the Senate,  
2 acting jointly; and

3 (B) with respect to a Member of, or Dele-  
4 gate or Resident Commissioner to, the House of  
5 Representatives, the Sergeant at Arms of the  
6 House of Representatives and the Chief Admin-  
7 istrative Officer of the House of Representa-  
8 tives, acting jointly.

9 (2) AT-RISK INDIVIDUAL.—The term “at-risk  
10 individual” means—

11 (A) a Member of Congress;

12 (B) any individual who is the spouse, par-  
13 ent, sibling, or child of an individual described  
14 in subparagraph (A);

15 (C) any individual to whom an individual  
16 described in subparagraph (A) stands in loco  
17 parentis;

18 (D) any other individual living in the  
19 household of an individual described in subpara-  
20 graph (A);

21 (E) any employee whose pay is disbursed  
22 by the Secretary of the Senate who is identified  
23 by the Director of Senate Security as the target  
24 of an ongoing threat; or

1           (F) any employee whose pay is disbursed  
2           by the Chief Administrative Officer of the  
3           House of Representatives who is identified by  
4           the Director of the Office of House Security as  
5           the target of an ongoing threat.

6           (3) COVERED INFORMATION.—The term “cov-  
7           ered information” means—

8           (A) a home address, including a primary  
9           residence or secondary residences;

10          (B) a home or personal mobile telephone  
11          number;

12          (C) a personal email address;

13          (D) a social security number or driver’s li-  
14          cense number;

15          (E) a bank account or credit or debit card  
16          number;

17          (F) a license plate number or other unique  
18          identifier of a vehicle owned, leased, or regu-  
19          larly used by an at-risk individual;

20          (G) the identification of a child, who is  
21          under 18 years of age, of an at-risk individual;

22          (H) information regarding current or fu-  
23          ture school or day care attendance, including  
24          the name or addresses of the school or day  
25          care;

1 (I) information regarding schedules of  
2 school or day care attendance or routes taken  
3 to or from the school or day care by an at-risk  
4 individual;

5 (J) information regarding routes taken to  
6 or from an employment location by an at-risk  
7 individual; or

8 (K) precise geolocation data that is not  
9 anonymized and can identify the location of a  
10 device of an at-risk individual.

11 (4) DATA BROKER.—

12 (A) IN GENERAL.—The term “data  
13 broker” means a commercial entity engaged in  
14 collecting, assembling, or maintaining personal  
15 information concerning an individual who is not  
16 a customer, client, or an employee of that entity  
17 in order to sell the information or otherwise  
18 profit from providing third-party access to the  
19 information.

20 (B) EXCLUSION.—The term “data broker”  
21 does not include a commercial entity engaged in  
22 the following activities:

23 (i) Engaging in reporting, news-gath-  
24 ering, speaking, or other activities intended

1 to inform the public on matters of public  
2 interest or public concern.

3 (ii) Providing 411 directory assistance  
4 or directory information services, including  
5 name, address, and telephone number, on  
6 behalf of or as a function of a tele-  
7 communications carrier.

8 (iii) Using personal information inter-  
9 nally, providing access to businesses under  
10 common ownership or affiliated by cor-  
11 porate control, or selling or providing data  
12 for a transaction or service requested by or  
13 concerning the individual whose personal  
14 information is being transferred.

15 (iv) Providing publicly available infor-  
16 mation via real-time or near-real-time alert  
17 services for health or safety purposes.

18 (v) A consumer reporting agency sub-  
19 ject to the Fair Credit Reporting Act (15  
20 U.S.C. 1681 et seq.).

21 (vi) A financial institution subject to  
22 the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act (Public Law  
23 106–102) and regulations implementing  
24 that Act.

1 (vii) A covered entity for purposes of  
2 the privacy regulations promulgated under  
3 section 264(c) of the Health Insurance  
4 Portability and Accountability Act of 1996  
5 (42 U.S.C. 1320d–2 note).

6 (viii) The collection and sale or licens-  
7 ing of covered information incidental to  
8 conducting the activities described in  
9 clauses (i) through (vii).

10 (5) GOVERNMENT AGENCY.—The term “Gov-  
11 ernment agency” includes—

12 (A) an Executive agency, as defined in sec-  
13 tion 105 of title 5, United States Code; and

14 (B) any agency in the judicial branch or  
15 legislative branch.

16 (6) IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBER.—The term  
17 “immediate family member” means an at-risk indi-  
18 vidual—

19 (A) who is the spouse, parent, sibling, or  
20 child of another at-risk individual;

21 (B) to whom another at-risk individual  
22 stands in loco parentis; or

23 (C) living in the household of another at-  
24 risk individual.

1           (7) MEMBER OF CONGRESS.—The term “Mem-  
2       ber of Congress” means—

3                   (A) a Member of the Senate; or

4                   (B) a Member of, or Delegate or Resident  
5       Commissioner to, the House of Representatives.

6           (8) TRANSFER.—The term “transfer” means to  
7       sell, license, trade, or exchange for consideration the  
8       covered information of an at-risk individual.

9       (b) GOVERNMENT AGENCIES.—

10           (1) IN GENERAL.—Each at-risk individual  
11       may—

12                   (A) file written notice of the status of the  
13       individual as an at-risk individual, for them-  
14       selves and their immediate family members,  
15       with each Government agency that includes in-  
16       formation necessary to ensure compliance with  
17       this section, as determined by the applicable  
18       legislative officers; and

19                   (B) request that each Government agency  
20       described in subparagraph (A) mark as private  
21       their covered information and that of their im-  
22       mediate family members.

23       (2) NO PUBLIC POSTING.—

24                   (A) IN GENERAL.—Government agencies  
25       shall not publicly post or display publicly avail-

1           able content that includes covered information  
2           of an at-risk individual.

3                   (B) DEADLINE.—Upon receipt of a request  
4           by an at-risk individual under paragraph  
5           (1)(B), a Government agency shall remove the  
6           covered information of the at-risk individual,  
7           and any immediate family member on whose be-  
8           half the at-risk individual submitted the re-  
9           quest, from publicly available content not later  
10          than 72 hours after such receipt.

11                  (3) EXCEPTIONS.—Nothing in this section shall  
12          prohibit a Government agency from providing access  
13          to records containing the covered information of an  
14          at-risk individual to a third party if the third  
15          party—

16                   (A) possesses a signed release from the at-  
17                  risk individual or a court order;

18                   (B) is subject to the requirements of title  
19                  V of the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act (15 U.S.C.  
20                  6801 et seq.); or

21                   (C) executes a confidentiality agreement  
22                  with the Government agency.

23          (e) DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY.—

24                  (1) IN GENERAL.—An at-risk individual may di-  
25          rectly, or through an agent designated by the at-risk

1 individual, make any notice or request required or  
2 authorized by this section on behalf of the at-risk in-  
3 dividual. The notice or request shall include informa-  
4 tion necessary to ensure compliance with this sec-  
5 tion.

6 (2) AUTHORIZATION OF LEGISLATIVE OFFICERS  
7 TO MAKE REQUESTS.—

8 (A) LEGISLATIVE OFFICERS.—Upon writ-  
9 ten request of a Member of Congress, the appli-  
10 cable legislative officers are authorized to make  
11 any notice or request required or authorized by  
12 this section on behalf of the Member of Con-  
13 gress. The notice or request shall include infor-  
14 mation necessary to ensure compliance with this  
15 section, as determined by the applicable legisla-  
16 tive officers. Any notice or request made under  
17 this paragraph shall be deemed to have been  
18 made by the Member of Congress and comply  
19 with the notice and request requirements of this  
20 section.

21 (B) LIST.—In lieu of individual notices or  
22 requests, the applicable legislative officers may  
23 provide Government agencies, data brokers,  
24 persons, businesses, or associations with a list  
25 of Members of Congress and their immediate

1 family members that includes information nec-  
2 essary to ensure compliance with this section,  
3 as determined by the applicable legislative offi-  
4 cers for the purpose of maintaining compliance  
5 with this section. Such list shall be deemed to  
6 comply with individual notice and request re-  
7 quirements of this section.

8 (d) DATA BROKERS AND OTHER BUSINESSES.—

9 (1) PROHIBITIONS.—

10 (A) DATA BROKERS.—It shall be unlawful  
11 for a data broker to knowingly sell, license,  
12 trade for consideration, or purchase covered in-  
13 formation of an at-risk individual.

14 (B) OTHER BUSINESSES.—

15 (i) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided  
16 in clause (ii), no person, business, or asso-  
17 ciation shall publicly post or publicly dis-  
18 play on the internet covered information of  
19 an at-risk individual if the at-risk indi-  
20 vidual, or an immediate family member on  
21 behalf of the at-risk individual, has made  
22 a written request to that person, business,  
23 or association to not disclose the covered  
24 information of the at-risk individual.

1 (ii) EXCEPTIONS.—Clause (i) shall  
2 not apply to—

3 (I) the display on the internet of  
4 the covered information of an at-risk  
5 individual if the information is rel-  
6 evant to and displayed as part of a  
7 news story, commentary, editorial, or  
8 other speech on a matter of public  
9 concern;

10 (II) covered information that the  
11 at-risk individual voluntarily publishes  
12 on the internet after the date of en-  
13 actment of this Act; or

14 (III) covered information received  
15 from a Federal Government source  
16 (or from an employee or agent of the  
17 Federal Government).

18 (2) REQUIRED CONDUCT.—

19 (A) IN GENERAL.—After receiving a writ-  
20 ten request under paragraph (1)(B)(i), the per-  
21 son, business, or association shall—

22 (i) remove within 72 hours the cov-  
23 ered information from the internet and en-  
24 sure that the information is not made  
25 available on any website or subsidiary

1 website controlled by that person, business,  
2 or association; and

3 (ii) ensure that the covered informa-  
4 tion of the at-risk individual is not made  
5 available on any website or subsidiary  
6 website controlled by that person, business,  
7 or association.

8 (B) TRANSFER.—

9 (i) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided  
10 in clause (ii), after receiving a written re-  
11 quest under paragraph (1)(B)(i), the per-  
12 son, business, or association shall not  
13 transfer the covered information of the at-  
14 risk individual to any other person, busi-  
15 ness, or association through any medium.

16 (ii) EXCEPTIONS.—Clause (i) shall  
17 not apply to—

18 (I) the transfer of the covered in-  
19 formation of the at-risk individual if  
20 the information is relevant to and dis-  
21 played as part of a news story, com-  
22 mentary, editorial, or other speech on  
23 a matter of public concern;

24 (II) covered information that the  
25 at-risk individual voluntarily publishes

1 on the internet after the date of en-  
2 actment of this Act; or

3 (III) a transfer made at the re-  
4 quest of the at-risk individual or that  
5 is necessary to effectuate a request to  
6 the person, business, or association  
7 from the at-risk individual.

8 (e) REDRESS.—An at-risk individual whose covered  
9 information is made public as a result of a violation of  
10 this section may bring an action seeking injunctive or de-  
11 claratory relief in any court of competent jurisdiction.

12 (f) RULES OF CONSTRUCTION.—

13 (1) IN GENERAL.—Nothing in this section shall  
14 be construed—

15 (A) to prohibit, restrain, or limit—

16 (i) the lawful investigation or report-  
17 ing by the press of any unlawful activity or  
18 misconduct alleged to have been committed  
19 by an at-risk individual;

20 (ii) the reporting on an at-risk indi-  
21 vidual regarding matters of public concern;  
22 or

23 (iii) the disclosure of information oth-  
24 erwise required under Federal law;

1 (B) to impair access to the actions or  
2 statements of a Member of Congress in the  
3 course of carrying out the public functions of  
4 the Member of Congress;

5 (C) to limit the publication or transfer of  
6 covered information with the written consent of  
7 the at-risk individual; or

8 (D) to prohibit information sharing by a  
9 data broker to a Federal, State, Tribal, or local  
10 government, or any unit thereof.

11 (2) PROTECTION OF COVERED INFORMATION.—

12 This section shall be broadly construed to favor the  
13 protection of the covered information of at-risk indi-  
14 viduals.

15 (g) SEVERABILITY.—If any provision of this section,  
16 or the application of such provision to any person or cir-  
17 cumstance, is held to be unconstitutional, the remaining  
18 provisions of this section, and the application of the provi-  
19 sion to any other person or circumstance, shall not be af-  
20 fected.

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