

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Hal Rogers
Chairman
Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice,
Science, and Related Agencies
House Appropriations Committee
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Matt Cartwright
Ranking Member
Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice,
Science, and Related Agencies
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Dear Chairman Rogers and Ranking Member Cartwright:

As you begin consideration of the Fiscal Year 2024 Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies appropriations bill, we ask that within the accounts funding the Department of Justice, you provide full funding to implement the Daniel Anderl Judicial Security and Privacy Act of 2022 (Sections 5931-5939 of Public Law 117-263).

Specifically, Section 5934(c) of the new law authorizes the Attorney General to make grants to States or units of local governments or agencies thereof that operate a database or registry that contains covered information. Additionally, Section 5936(b) authorizes the expansion of the capabilities of the Office of Protective Intelligence of the U.S. Marshals Judicial Security Division “to ensure that the Office of Protective Intelligence is ready and able to perform all necessary functions . . . to anticipate and deter threats to the Federal judiciary.”

Time is of the essence in implementing the bill’s protections for our federal judges and their families, as members of the Federal judiciary have been exposed to an increased number of personal threats in recent years.

Among the incidents demonstrating the unfortunate urgency of these measures is the 2020 murder of Daniel Anderl, for whom the legislation was named. The 20-year-old son of New Jersey District Judge Esther Salas, Daniel was shot and killed at home by a disgruntled lawyer who found the judge’s address on the internet and also critically wounded Judge Salas’ husband.

The law, which gained broad bipartisan support in both the House and Senate, protects judges’ personally identifiable information from resale by data brokers, and it allows federal judges to redact personal information displayed on federal government internet sites and prevent publication of personal information by other businesses and individuals where there is no legitimate news media or other public interest.

Thank you for your consideration of this important request.

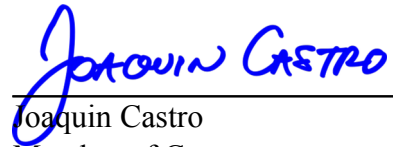
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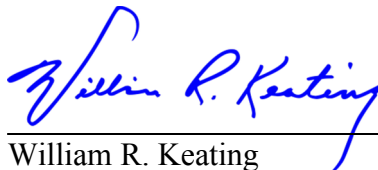
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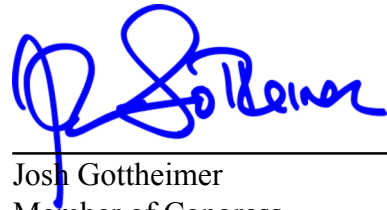
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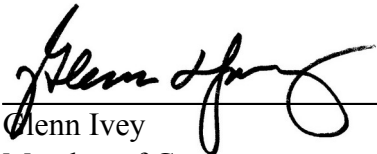
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