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USTELECOM WELCOMES BIPARTISAN HOUSE CYBER BILL

Background: Yesterday, the bipartisan leadership of the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence and its Cybersecurity Subcommittee introduced H.R. 1560, the Protecting Cyber Networks Act, to improve cybersecurity in the United States through enhanced sharing of information about cybersecurity threats.

Please attribute the following statement to USTelecom Senior Executive Vice President Alan Roth:

“With their introduction of the Protecting Cyber Networks Act, Chairman Nunes and Ranking Member Schiff have demonstrated, together with Subcommittee Chairman Westmoreland and Ranking Member Himes, that the passage of cybersecurity information sharing legislation in this Congress is a bipartisan priority. USTelecom commends them for moving early in this session to address the need for a sound legal framework to help protect the nation’s communications and information networks from cyber threats. We look forward to continuing to work with them and all interested parties to ensure that our member companies are encouraged to participate voluntarily in an information sharing system that appropriately guards Americans’ privacy and civil liberties.

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