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Verizon Supports House Cybersecurity Bill

WASHINGTON – *On Wednesday (November 30) cybersecurity legislation was introduced by House Intelligence Committee Chairman Mike Rogers and Ranking Member Dutch Ruppersberger. The following statement should be attributed to Peter Davidson, Verizon senior vice president for federal government relations:*

“Verizon supports the ‘Cyber Intelligence Sharing and Protection Act’ and applauds its sponsors for taking a focused approach to enhancing our national cybersecurity-defense capabilities. Coordination and information-sharing are now accepted – and expected – practices in preventing crimes that seek to damage critical infrastructure, such as communications networks. This legislation enables private sector entities to defend their and their customers’ networks, allows them to share cyber-threat data with others in the private sector and the U.S. Government, and improves our nation’s ability to identify and mitigate cyber threats before they can do damage.

“Protecting our network and our customers is of paramount importance to Verizon, and we look forward to working with the bill’s sponsors as this legislation moves through the Committee and the House.”

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