CONGRESS, CAN YOU HEAR US?

Two bills before Congress, known as the Protect IP Act (PIPA) in the Senate and the Stop Online Piracy Act (SOPA) in the House, are meant to stop online piracy but would censor the Web and impose harmful regulations on American businesses. Experts agree that there are better ways to shut down pirate websites than asking US companies to censor the Web. Join the groundswell of experts, organizations and people from all parts of America united in their opposition to SOPA and PIPA.

Tell Congress not to censor the Web and not to cripple our innovation economy.

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Vint Cerf, one of the founding fathers of the Internet, opposed SOPA in an open letter to Congress.

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Steve Crocker
David Dagon
Dan Kaminsky
Danny McPherson
Paul Vixie

Internet security experts issued a whitepaper raising serious concerns about the technical approach of PIPA.

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zynga

Internet and technology companies sent an open letter opposing the bills and the risks posed to innovation and job creation.

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Marc Andreessen
Mitchell Baker
Sergey Brin
Jack Dorsey
Caterina Fake
David Filo
Reid Hoffman
Arianna Huffington
Chad Hurley
Brewster Kahle
Elon Musk
Craig Newmark
Pierre Omidyar
Biz Stone
Jimmy Wales
Evan Williams
Jerry Yang

Internet company founders sent an open letter opposing SOPA and PIPA.

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Advocacy and public interest organizations, including ACLU, MoveOn and Tea Party Patriots, voiced their opposition.

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Human rights organizations, including Center for Media Justice and Reporters Without Borders, sent a letter to express concern for the bills' civil and human rights implications.

55

Leading venture capitalists issued a letter expressing concern that PIPA "would stifle investment in Internet services, throttle innovation, and hurt American competitiveness."

110

Law professors sent a letter expressing "serious constitutional, innovation, and foreign policy concerns."

204

Entrepreneurs sent a letter expressing concern that PIPA and SOPA would "hurt economic growth and chill innovation."

113,000+

Over 113,000 people have petitioned the White House to oppose SOPA and PIPA. White House issued acommitment to "not support legislation that reduces freedom of expression, increases cybersecurity risk, or undermines the dynamic, innovative, global Internet."

887,000+

American public called Congress to voice their opposition through AmericanCensorship.org.

3,000,000+

American public voices opposition by adding 3 million signatures to petitions.

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