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Tell Congress to Leave Privacy to the States

A new federal privacy bill has been released in Congress. The bipartisan American Privacy Rights Act seeks to "establish a national data privacy and security standard that gives people the right to control their personal information," claims the two lead sponsors.

Notably, this bill pre-empts state privacy laws, making it unconstitutional. Second, government entities and their service providers are exempt. They do not have to follow the law. Third, state health privacy laws would be protected, but the anti-privacy HIPAA would not be fixed. Fourth, it will give you the right to opt out of algorithms, but that's the wrong focus; you should be out unless you opt in. Contact your members of the House and Senate and tell them to leave privacy to the states.

"New Draft Bipartisan U.S. Federal Privacy Bill Unveiled," Jedidiah Bracy, IAPP, April 7, 2024: <u>https://bit.ly/4437fN8</u>

Proposed Bill Draft: https://bit.ly/3W5au4J

"American Privacy Rights Act of 2024: Section-by-Section Summary," accessed April 15, 2024: <u>https://bit.ly/49Hojth</u>

Top Takeaways from the Draft American Privacy Rights Act," Cobun Zweifel-Keegan, IAPP, April 11, 2024: <u>https://bit.ly/49MKvCm</u>

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