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# LEGISLATIVE ACTION ALERT

## YOU CAN KISS YOUR PRIVACY GOODBYE!

*Au revoir, Arrivederci, Adiós, auf Wiedersehen, zài jiàn le*

### IT'S ALL ABOUT THE MONEY

#### U.S. Senate Republicans Just Gave Your Internet Privacy Away

US Senate votes 50-48 on March 23, 2017 to do away with broadband privacy rules thereby, letting ISPs and telecoms to sell your internet history.

The Senators that voted for this have been lobbied by the telecoms and ISPs. Those in support of this stripping of privacy rights have even filed with the FCC attempting to claim that web history and app data usage information is not sensitive information. The EFF put it concisely: Senate Puts ISP Profits Over Your Privacy. Now, the only chance to maintain the hard earned FCC broadband privacy rules lies in defeating H.J.Res 86, the House version of this resolution.

The 50 Senators that voted for S.J.Res 34 are (thanks to [happyxpenguin](#)):

Senator Roberts (R-KS)  
 Senator Lee (R-UT)  
 Senator Boozman (R-AR)  
 Senator Blunt (R-MO)  
 Senator Crapo (R-ID)  
 Senator Scott (R-SC)  
 Senator Cotton (R-AR)  
 Senator Hatch (R-UT)  
 Senator Capito (R-WV)  
 Senator Alexander (R-TN)  
**Senator Toomey (R-PA)**  
 Senator Perdue (R-GA)  
 Senator Cochran (R-MS)  
 Senator Inhofe (R-OK)  
 Senator Ernst (R-IA)  
 Senator Lankford (R-OK)

Senator Collins (R-ME)  
 Senator Sullivan (R-AK)  
 Senator Thune (R-SD)  
 Senator McCain (R-AZ)  
 Senator Graham (R-SC)  
 Senator Wicker (R-MS)  
 Senator Grassley (R-IA)  
 Senator Burr (R-NC)  
 Senator Hoeven (R-ND)  
  
 Senator Tillis (R-NC)  
 Senator McConnell (R-KY)  
 Senator Heller (R-NV)  
 Senator Cruz (R-TX)  
 Senator Daines (R-MT)  
 Senator Portman (R-OH)

Senator Murkowsky (R-AK)  
 Senator Cassidy (R-LA)  
 Senator Flake (R-AZ)  
 Senator Johnson (R-WI)  
 Senator Rubio (R-FL)  
 Senator Corker (R-TN)  
 Senator Risch (R-ID)  
 Senator Gardner (R-CO)  
 Senator Young (R-IN)  
 Senator Barasso (R-WY)  
 Senator Moran (R-KS)  
 Senator Cornyn (R-TX)  
 Senator Enzi (R-WY)  
 Senator Kennedy (R-LA)  
 Senator Shelby (R-AL)  
 Senator Rounds (R-SD)



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## Congress just killed your Internet privacy protections

The House of Representatives voted Tuesday, March 28, 2017 to repeal Internet privacy protections that were approved by the Federal Communications Commission in the final days of the Obama administration.

The Senate voted along party lines to undo the rules last week. The resolution now goes to Trump's desk. The White House said Tuesday it "strongly supports" the repeal.

The privacy rules were intended to give consumers extra control over their personal data online at a time when everything from smartphones to refrigerators can be connected to the Internet.

An article on CNN© said that Democrats and privacy advocates have argued this approach effectively hands

over the customer's personal information to the highest bidder.

"It totally wipes out privacy protections for consumers on the Internet," Democratic Representative Anna Eshoo said on the floor. "I don't want anyone to take my information and sell it to someone and make a ton of money off of it just because they can get their mitts on it."

Michael Capuano, a Democratic Representative, took it one step further. "Just last week, I bought underwear on the internet," he said. "Why should you know what size I take, or the color, or any of that information? CNN's full article can be viewed at:

<http://money.cnn.com/2017/03/28/technology/house-internet-privacy-repeal/index.html>



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## REPEAL PENNSYLVANIA'S PREVAILING WAGE ACT

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND INDUSTRY, MARCH 28, 2017

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## REPEAL PREVAILING WAGE ACT PA H.B. 999

House of Representatives  
Session of 2017 - 2018 Regular Session  
**MEMORANDUM**

**Posted:** March 1, 2017 02:38 PM  
**From:** Representative Francis X. Ryan and Rep. Ron Marsico  
**To:** All House members  
**Subject:** **LEGISLATION - REPEAL PREVAILING WAGE ACT**

In the near future we will be reintroducing Rep. Marsico's legislation from last session (HB 1234) to amend the Prevailing Wage Act (Act 442 of 1961) to require that at least 51% of a construction/renovation/repair project be paid for by public monies before it is covered by the act. Currently, the Prevailing Wage Act states that a project in excess of \$25,000 that is paid for "in whole or in part" out of public funds is subject to the act. Thus, unfortunately, projects that receive any public money become subject to the act and its requirements.

Many of us have heard of instances

where an organization receives assistance for a project from a state agency or a local government agency, only to find out that receiving the money made the project subject to Prevailing Wage Act requirements. The way the act is currently written, a project (over \$25,000) could receive \$1 of public funding, and subject itself to the act's requirements.

In some instances, the prevailing wage requirements have undermined state economic development programs, because the increased costs of prevailing wage outweigh the economic development incentives offered. In other

words, when taxpayer-funded economic development programs are used, state-mandated prevailing wage rules increase the cost of the economic development project.

We believe that this legislation is reasonable in that it simply requires that a majority of a construction project's costs be paid by a public body, and is similar to the requirement in Maryland's prevailing wage law in which the state's financial participation must be "50% or more" before a project can be covered.

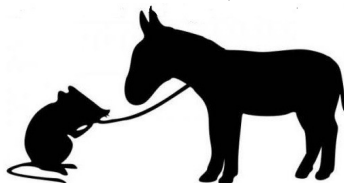
Your support of this legislation would be greatly appreciated.

PA House Bill 999 Download & view Bill at:

<http://www.legis.state.pa.us/cfdocs/billinfo/billinfo.cfm?syear=2017&sind=0&body=H&type=B&bn=999>

### DON'T YOU JUST LIKE POLITICIANS THAT CAMPAIGN ON PROMISING TO HELP THE MIDDLE CLASS - YET PUSH LEGISLATION LIKE THIS

The PA Conference of Teamsters urges you to contact your Representatives and tell them **NO on PA HB 999**. Many members of **both parties (Democrats and Republicans)** stand with labor and the working men and women of Pennsylvania on issues important to us. We should always support those elected officials regardless of their party affiliation. However, we must no longer support representatives that **do not give a**



about labor - the "Middle Class" - and the working men and women of Pennsylvania.

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