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EXPERTS, ADVOCACY GROUPS, AND POLICYMAKERS VOICE CONCERNS WITH ANTI-TECH PROPOSALS

Academics, policy experts, think tanks, advocacy groups, and policymakers are voicing serious concerns with recent anti-tech proposals—specifically the American Innovation and Choice Online Act (AICOA)—and the consequences for small businesses, consumer welfare, the economy, national security, and more. Here are some of the key concerns:

Concern 1: Undermining national security and global competitiveness

Larry Kudlow, Former Director of the National Economic Council

Christopher Miller, Former Acting Secretary of Defense

John Ratcliffe, Former Director of National Intelligence

Dan Coats, Former Director of National Intelligence

Robert O'Brien, Former National Security Advisor

Richard H. Ledgett Jr., Former Deputy Director of the NSA

Michael Morell, Former Acting Director and Deputy Director of the CIA

Admiral Michael S. Rogers, Former Commander of U.S. Cyber Command and Director of the NSA

Frances Townsend, Former Assistant to the President for Counterterrorism and Homeland Security

Robert Cardillo, Former Director of the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency

Admiral James Foggo III, Former Commander of the U.S. Naval Forces Europe-Africa

John D. Negroponte, Former Deputy Secretary of State and Director of National Intelligence

Vice Admiral Jan E. Tighe, Former Director of Naval Intelligence and Commander of the Tenth Fleet

Ambassador (ret.) Paula Dobriansky, Former Under Secretary of State for Global Affairs

Rear Admiral (ret.) Greg Slavonic, Former Acting Under Secretary of the Navy

Ambassador (ret.) Ed McMullen, Former Ambassador to Switzerland

Bonnie Glick, Former Deputy Administrator of the U.S. Agency for International Development

Allison Hooker, Former Deputy Assistant to the President and Senior Director for Asian Affairs

Klon Kitchen, American Enterprise Institute

Tatyana Bolton, R Street Institute

Stephen Moore, Founder, Club for Growth

Glen Gerstell, Center for Strategic & International Studies

Eric Peterson, Director, Pelican Center for Tech and Innovation

Carl Holshouser, Senior Vice President, TechNet

Concern 2: Harms to small businesses and the startup ecosystem

Karen Kerrigan, President and CEO of the Small Business & Entrepreneurship Council

Javier Palomarez, President and CEO of the United States Hispanic Business Council

The App Association

The Developer's Alliance

Ahmad Thomas, CEO of the Silicon Valley Leadership Group

John R. Dearie, Founder and President of the Center for American Entrepreneurship

Geoffrey Manne, President and Founder of the International Center for Law and Economics

Dar'Shun Kendrick, Georgia House of Representatives Member

William Lawrence, Kentucky State Representative

Tracy Hernandez, CEO of the Los Angeles County Business Federation

Kemeshia Greene, Owner of Greene House Scents

Stephanie Preece, CEO and founder of Ignite Fitness in Dover

Asha and Vivek Kangralkar, Co-Founders of Avacraft

Caron Proschan, Owner of Simply Gum

Kristin and Jason Cipolla, Founders of My Personal Memories

Dean-Paul Hart, Founder of Compac Industries

Sandra Manay and Thomas Konik, Founder and Managing Member, Luna Sundara

Ronald and Anthony Alcazar, Owners of Mr. Tortilla

Angel Johnson, Owner of ICONI

Dana Midkiff, Owner of Pink Door Wreaths

Alexis Austin, Owner of Curio Press

Joshua Esnard, Owner of The Cut Buddy

Santiago Nestares, Owner of Bentiago Group

Blake Shook, Owner of Desert Creek Honey

Kennedy Lowery, Owner of Live By Being

Shawn McGowen, Owner of Leather Honey

Jed Nelsen, Owner of Kaspien

Sean Brownlee, Owner of Ravenox

Concern 3: Dangerous implications for the broader economy

U.S. Chamber of Commerce

Enterprise Chamber of Commerce

Prattville Area Chamber of Commerce

Shoals Chamber

Haines Chamber of Commerce

Apache Junction Area Chamber of Commerce

Arizona Chamber of Commerce & Industry

Chandler Chamber of Commerce

Glendale Chamber of Commerce

Greater Flagstaff Chamber of Commerce

Greater Oro Valley Chamber

Greater Phoenix Chamber

Lake Havasu Area Chamber of Commerce

Mesa Chamber of Commerce

Nogales-Santa Cruz County Chamber of Commerce

Scottsdale Area Chamber of Commerce

Sierra Vista Area Chamber of Commerce

Surprise Regional Chamber of Commerce

Tempe Chamber of Commerce

Tucson Metro Chamber

Arkansas State Chamber/AIA

Little Rock Regional Chamber

Rogers Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce

Bay Area Council

Brea Chamber of Commerce

California Chamber of Commerce

Carlsbad Chamber of Commerce

Fremont Chamber of Commerce

Fresno Chamber of Commerce

Garden Grove Chamber of Commerce

Gateway Chambers Alliance

Greater Coachella Valley Chamber of Commerce

Long Beach Area Chamber of Commerce

Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce

Los Angeles County Business Federation

Modesto Chamber of Commerce

Murrieta/Wildomar Chamber of Commerce

North San Diego Business Chamber

Norwalk Chamber of Commerce

Oceanside Chamber of Commerce

Orange County Business Council

Palos Verdes Peninsula Chamber of Commerce

Rancho Cordova Area Chamber of Commerce

Rancho Mirage Chamber of Commerce

Redondo Beach Chamber of Commerce

Roseville Area Chamber of Commerce

San Diego Regional Chamber of Commerce

San Jose Chamber of Commerce

San Juan Capistrano Chamber of Commerce

San Pedro Chamber of Commerce

Santa Barbara South Coast Chamber of Commerce

Santa Clarita Valley Chamber of Commerce

Santa Maria Valley Chamber of Commerce

Simi Valley Chamber of Commerce

South Bay Association of Chambers of Commerce

Torrance Area Chamber of Commerce

Tracy Chamber of Commerce

Tulare Chamber of Commerce

USA Minority Chamber of Commerce

Valley Industry & Commerce Association

West Ventura County Business Alliance

Colorado Springs Chamber and EDC

Grand Junction Area Chamber of Commerce

Greater Woodland Park Chamber of Commerce

Vail Valley Partnership

Delaware State Chamber of Commerce

Stuart/Martin County Chamber of Commerce

The Osceola Chamber

Ashburn Turner County Chamber of Commerce

Barrow County Chamber of Commerce, Inc.

Georgia Chamber of Commerce

Gwinnett Chamber of Commerce

Chamber of Commerce Hawaii

Greater Idaho Falls Chamber of Commerce

Idaho Chamber Alliance

Chicagoland Chamber of Commerce

Edwardsville/Glen Carbon Chamber of Commerce

GLMV Chamber of Commerce

Greater Springfield Chamber of Commerce

Illinois Chamber of Commerce

Illinois State Black Chamber of Commerce

Lombard Chamber of Commerce

Pekin Area Chamber of Commerce

Western DuPage Chamber of Commerce

Greater Lawrence Chamber

Indiana Chamber of Commerce

South Bend Regional Chamber

Wayne County Area Chamber of Commerce

Council Bluffs Area Chamber of Commerce

Iowa Association of Business and Industry

Mason City Chamber of Commerce

Leavenworth-Lansing Area Chamber of Commerce

Commerce Lexington Inc.

Greater Louisville Inc. - The Metro Chamber of Commerce

Kentucky Chamber of Commerce

Central Louisiana Regional Chamber of Commerce

Maine State Chamber of Commerce

Maryland Chamber of Commerce

Olney Chamber of Commerce

Greater Niles Chamber

Lansing Regional Chamber of Commerce

Michigan Chamber of Commerce

Austin Area Chamber of Commerce

Minnesota Chamber of Commerce

St Cloud Area Chamber of Commerce

Missouri Chamber of Commerce and Industry

Mississippi Economic Council

Kalispell Chamber of Commerce

Montana Chamber of Commerce

North Carolina Chamber

North Dakota

Chamber Grand Forks / East Grand Forks

Greater North Dakota Chamber

Kearney Area Chamber of Commerce

Nebraska Chamber of Commerce & Industry

Henderson Chamber of Commerce

Reno + Sparks Chamber of Commerce

Vegas Chamber

Lakes Region Chamber of Commerce

African American Chamber of Commerce of New Jersey

Greater Westfield Area Chamber of Commerce

New Jersey State Chamber of Commerce

Gallup McKinley County Chamber of Commerce

New Mexico Chamber of Commerce

White Pine Chamber of Commerce

Buffalo Niagara Partnership

Business Council of New York State, Inc.

Capital Region Chamber

Greater Binghamton Chamber of Commerce

Greater Rochester Chamber of Commerce

North Country Chamber of Commerce

Dayton Area Chamber of Commerce

Marian Area Chamber of Commerce

Ohio Chamber of Commerce

Reynoldsburg Chamber of Commerce

Solon Chamber of Commerce/Western Reserve Safety Council

Sunbury Big Walnut Area Chamber of Commerce

Union County Chamber of Commerce

Broken Arrow Chamber of Commerce

State Chamber of Oklahoma

Heppner Chamber of Commerce

Portland Business Alliance

Hanover Area Chamber of Commerce

Juniata River Valley Chamber of Commerce

Pennsylvania Chamber of Business and Industry

Schuylkill Chamber of Commerce

Williamsport/Lycoming Chamber of Commerce

Northern Rhode Island Chamber of Commerce

Greater Sioux Falls Chamber of Commerce

Chattanooga Area Chamber of Commerce

Gallatin Area Chamber of Commerce

Seguin and Guadalupe County Area Chamber of Commerce

Abilene Chamber of Commerce

Central Fort Bend Chamber

Greater Magnolia Parkway Chamber of Commerce

Greater Port Arthur Chamber of Commerce

Greater Waco Chamber of Commerce

Ingleside Chamber of Commerce

Longview Chamber of Commerce

Mansfield Area Chamber of Commerce

North Texas Commission

Rowlett Area Chamber & Visitors Center

Sherman Chamber of Commerce

South Padre Island Chamber of Commerce

Texarkana Chamber of Commerce

Salt Lake Chamber

South Salt Lake Chamber of Commerce

South Valley Chamber

Hopewell/Prince George Chamber of Commerce

Loudoun County Chamber of Commerce

Virginia Chamber of Commerce

Greater Issaquah Chamber of Commerce

Greater Yakima Chamber of Commerce

Moses Lake Chamber of Commerce

Washington Retail Association

Weirton Area Chamber of Commerce

West Virginia Chamber of Commerce

Oshkosh Chamber of Commerce

Wisconsin Manufacturers & Commerce

Greater Cheyenne Chamber of Commerce

Sheridan County Chamber of Commerce

The Wall Street Journal Editorial Board

TechNet

U.S. Hispanic Business Council

NetChoice

Consumer Technology Association

Software & Information Industry Association

Information Technology and Innovation Foundation

Dr. Arthur Laffer, Former Economic Policy Advisor to President Reagan

Concern 4: Upending American antitrust law and applying different standards to an arbitrary subset of companies

The Antitrust Section of the American Bar Association

Professor Joshua Wright, Former FTC Commissioner

Professor Erik Hovenkamp, University of California Gould School of Law

Professor Jonathan Barnett, University of California Gould School of Law

Dirk Auer, International Center for Law and Economics

Sam Bowman, International Center for Law and Economics

Professor Brian Albrecht, International Center for Law and Economics

Professor Michael Katz, University of California, Berkeley

Grover Norquist, President, Americans for Tax Reform

Scott Shackford, The Reason Foundation

Mark Jamison, American Enterprise Institute

Rachel Chiu, Young Voices

Concern 5: Expansion of government power to regulate the economy

Neil Bradley, Executive Vice President and Chief Policy Officer of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce

Sean Heather, Senior Vice President of International Regulatory Affairs & Antitrust at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce

Barbara Comstock, Former Member of Congress

Scott Brown, Former U.S. Senator

Robert Bork Jr., Antitrust Education Project

Tom Herbert, Open Competition Center

James Czerniawski, Americans for Prosperity

Luke Hogg, Lincoln Network

Concern 6: Serious harms to consumers and innovation

Alden Abbott, The Mercatus Center

Andre Mercado, The Mercatus Center

Noah Phillips, FTC Commissioner

Douglas Holtz-Eakin, American Action Forum

Krisztina Pusok, American Consumer Institute

Edward Longe, American Consumer Institute

Josh Withrow, National Taxpayers Union Foundation

Taxpayers Protection Alliance

Ryan Young, Competitive Enterprise Institute

Jessica Melugin, Competitive Enterprise Institute

Jeffrey Westling, R Street Institute

Carrie Sheffield, Independent Women's Forum

Charles Sauer, President, The Market Institute

Lawrence Spiwak, President, Phoenix Center for Advanced Legal and Economic Public Policy Studies

Pete Sepp, National Taxpayers Union

Asheesh Agarwal, Former Assistant Director, Federal Trade Commission

Charles W. Baird, California State University, East Bay

Kenneth V. Greene, Binghamton University

Stephen K. Happel, Arizona State University

Jeff Haymond, Cedarville University

Patrice Onwuka, Independent Women's Forum

Yael Ossowski, Consumer Choice Center

Sam Peltzman, University of Chicago Booth School (Emeritus)

Ashley Baker, Committee for Justice

Don Bellante, University of South Florida

Patrick Hedger, Taxpayers Protection Alliance

Steve Pociask, American Consumer Institute

James T. Bennett, George Mason University

David R. Henderson, Hoover Institution

Aurelien Portuese, Information Technology and Innovation Foundation

Bruce L. Benson, Florida State University

Arturo C. Porzecanski, American University

Michael T. Bond, University of Arizona

Jeffrey Rogers Hummel, San Jose State University

Barry W. Poulson, University of Colorado

Samuel Bostaph, University of Dallas

Andrew F. Quinlan, Center for Freedom and Prosperity

Donald J. Boudreaux, George Mason University

Raymond J. Keating, Small Business & Entrepreneurship Council

Nancy Roberts, Arizona State University

Scott Bradford, Brigham Young University

Daniel B. Klein, George Mason University

Paul Rubin, Emory University

Jason Brennan, Georgetown University

Richard N. Langlois, University of Connecticut

John Ruggiero, University of Dayton

Wayne T. Brough, R Street Institute

Kent Lassman, Competitive Enterprise Institute

Joseph T. Salerno, Mises Institute

Peter T. Calcagno, College of Charleston

Thomas Lehman, Indiana Wesleyan University

Timothy Sandefur, Goldwater Institute'

James H. Cardon, Brigham Young University

Curt Levey, Committee for Justice

Yong Chao, University of Louisville

Stan J. Liebowitz, University of Texas, Dallas

Dan Savickas, Taxpayers Protection Alliance

Tony Lima, Professor Emeritus of Economics, California State University, East Bay

Tom Schatz, Council for Citizens Against Government Waste

Joab Cory, University of California, Riverside

Christopher Lingle, Universidad Francisco Marroquin

William Franklin Shughart II, Utah State University

Wayne Crews, Competitive Enterprise Institute

Carrie Lukas, Independent Women's Forum

Vernon L. Smith, Chapman University

Joseph S. DeSalvo, University of South Florida, Tampa

Abir Mandal, University of Mount Olive

Daniel J. Smith, Middle Tennessee State University

Anthony Dukes, University of Southern California

Michael L. Marlow, California Polytechnic State University

Daniel Sutter, Troy University

Gerald P. Dwyer, Clemson University

Scott E. Masten, University of Michigan

John Tamny, FreedomWorks

James Edwards, Conservatives for Property Rights

Beverly McKittrick, FreedomWorks

Edward Tower, Duke University

Richard A. Epstein, NYU School of Law; the University of Chicago Law School

W. Douglas McMillin, Louisiana State University (Emeritus)

Liad Wagman, Illinois Institute of Technology

John A. Flanders, Central Methodist University

Vivek Ghosal, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

Jim Miller, Former Chairman, Federal Trade Commission

Tom Giovanetti, Institute for Policy Innovation

Dan Mitchell, Center for Freedom and Prosperity

Bill Z. Yang, Georgia Southern University

Casey Given, Young Voices

Michael C. Munger, Duke University

Stephan F. Gohmann, University of Louisville

Iain Murray, Competitive Enterprise Institute

Benjamin Zycher, American Enterprise Institute

Concern 7: Bills in both the House and Senate aren't ready for prime time

Senator John Cornyn (R-Texas)

Senator Mike Lee (R-Utah)

Senator Thom Tillis (R-N.C.)

Senator Tom Cotton (R-Ark.)

Senator Marsha Blackburn (R-Tenn.)

Rep. Darrell Issa (R-Calif.)

Rep. Tom McClintock (R-Calif.)

Rep. Michelle Fishbach (R-Minn.)

Rep. Chip Roy (R-Texas)

Rep. Mike Johnson (R-La.)

Rep. Tom Tiffany (R-Wis.)

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