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Limiting Section 230 Immunity to Good Samaritans Act

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116 S 3983	Identical bill	**Jun 17, 2020:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

Summary (as of Oct 16, 2020)

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This bill requires an edge provider of an interactive computer service (e.g., social media website) to adopt and maintain written terms of service binding itself to a contractual duty of good faith in order to qualify for the statutory protection against being treated as the publisher of information distributed through the service by a third party.

An *edge provider* is a provider of an interactive computer service through which information published by other content providers is distributed and that has more than (1) $1.5 billion in annual global revenue, and (2) 30 million monthly users in the United States or 300 million monthly users worldwide.

Actions Timeline

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