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Thread: [Earn It Act \(An end to encryption as we know it?\)](#)

Crimin4L - March 18, 2020, 1:58 pm

Has anyone else heard about this? it seems that as COVID-19 takes over they are trying to push this bill "EARN IT ACT" up legislation and many experts are saying it is a ploy to put a stop to end-to-end encryption.

Republican Lindsey Graham, one of the four primary sponsors of the bill, said: "I appreciate my colleagues working with me on this bill to ensure tech companies are using best business practices to prevent child exploitation online. This bill is a major first step. For the first time, you will have to earn blanket liability protection when it comes to protecting minors. Our goal is to do this in a balanced way that doesn't overly inhibit innovation, but forcibly deals with child exploitation." and then Democrat Dianne Feinstein added: "Technological advances have allowed the online exploitation of children to become much, much worse over recent years. Companies must do more to combat this growing problem on their online platforms. Our bill would allow individuals to sue tech companies that don't take proper steps to prevent online child exploitation, and it's an important step to protect the most vulnerable among us." - Snip [[Read more about it here](#)]

Honestly what do you guys think of this? I kept saying during this pandemic they were gonna try and pass something that strips more of our rights away and it seems that's gonna happen..

What onmi had to say about the bill: <https://hackforums.net/showthread.php?tid=6051563>

Lor?d - March 18, 2020, 2:00 pm

[Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Z0GFRcFm-aY>]

Rsynced - March 18, 2020, 2:12 pm

Yes, I was just discussing this with some other members early this week and Omni even sent a letter/email to the Government ;)

Dorrance - March 18, 2020, 2:23 pm

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Crimin4L - March 19, 2020, 10:10 am

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Very true! But why should we all have to suffer at the cost of our privacy? I feel like there has to be a 10x better way to combat child trafficking and not risk our safety, privacy, and anonymity. Like you said you watch over what your child is doing on the internet, as every parent should. The internet is a very deep and dark place, and if you decide your young child can handle it all on their own, then you re in-fact the problem.

We should not all suffer because a few bad parents can't watch and overlook what their child is doing while on the internet. Just my opinion tho :P

SIM-3257834 - March 20, 2020, 1:14 am

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Crimin4L - March 20, 2020, 9:48 am

(Mar 20, 2020 01:14 AM)Cake Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Very little people on hf even care about privacy considering most here use social media. This may Actually be the end since Gen Z is use to not having privacy.

Yea sad but true. I really hope companies move their businesses elsewhere so they don't have to abide by USA laws. Cause idgaf I'd still use end to end encryption programs regardless of that bill. Sue me idgaf

Cause if they do that its not just LE or Gov. Officials that will be able to intercept your messages, also any hacker with a brain will take advantage of that whole situation..

Klonopin - March 20, 2020, 10:23 am

this is fucked, i really wish this doesnt happen.

this will be a big loss to privacy ect

Photograph - March 20, 2020, 12:15 pm

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Klonopin - March 20, 2020, 12:22 pm

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Crimin4L - March 20, 2020, 12:34 pm

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this would be a smart time to do some stupid shit like that, but still it will take months even years to go through if anything

Obistone - March 20, 2020, 12:48 pm

While I fully support locking down on child predators and trafficking, this isn't the way to do it.

I highly doubt that's their true intention though, they seem to just want access to all of our private messages. Incriminating or not.