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Since the introduction of H.R. 3523, the Cyber Intelligence Sharing and Protection Act (CISPA), I have attempted to work with my colleagues to improve the legislation to address the serious concerns regarding oversight and privacy I have had. This desire to be bi-partisan and to compromise came from an understanding that the need is too great for us to go about business as usual.

Unfortunately, while I commend the many stakeholders involved in this legislation and the numerous attempts to further amend this bill, I am unable to support this version of CISPA as currently drafted. Several privacy protections on the use and collection of data still remain unaddressed. I was extremely disappointed that the preceding rule on the final bill ruled out of order several critical amendments that could have addressed these issues. I remain committed to improving our nation's cyber security infrastructure and doing it right. While I was unable to vote for the passage of the underlying bill, I look forward to improving the bill as it moves forward.