



August 8, 2018

Governor Jerry Brown
California Governor
State Capitol, Room 1173
Sacramento, CA 95814

Speaker Anthony Rendon
State Assembly
State Capitol, Room 219
Sacramento, CA 95814

President Pro Tem Toni Atkins
State Senate
State Capitol, Room 205
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: SB 460 (de León) and SB 822 (Wiener)

Dear Governor Brown, Speaker Rendon and Senator Atkins:

The companies above stand in strong support of open internet principles, and we recognize the enforcement role that government entities play in ensuring such protections are afforded to constituents.

California consumers - indeed all Americans - deserve access to an open internet, not just in name, but in practice. We applaud the California legislature for considering a common sense rulemaking that would preserve this important right.

While we strongly support net neutrality protections at the federal level, as established by Congress or by the Federal Communications Commission, the wake of the FCC's decision in December 2017 to roll back the Open Internet Order protections has created uncertainty over whether a replacement regulatory regime will be established at the federal level.

California consumers needn't wait for common sense consumer protections, and we commend the California legislature for leading the way in considering SB 460 and SB 822.

The strength of the internet economy relies on open and accessible communications. As the home state of so many companies who are powering the innovation economy, California can lead the way.

Consumers benefit when that access is enshrined and protected, and companies like ours benefit by the predictability of codified regulations and mechanisms to appeal and investigate anti-competitive behavior. Fair play requires not just reasonable rules but also a referee on the ground to enforce them.

That's why we write to express our support for true net neutrality protections, such as those proposed in Senate Bill 460 by Senator Kevin de León and Senate Bill 822 by Senator Scott Wiener.