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Republicans Support Civil Rights, While Democrats Choose Big Tech...Again

Madison – Representative Shae Sortwell (R-Gibson) released the following statement today regarding the Wisconsin State Assembly passing Assembly Bill 957, relating to consumer data protection, during Wednesday’s floor session:

“I would like to offer tremendous praise to the author of this fantastic bill, Representative Shannon Zimmerman, for tackling one of the biggest civil rights issues of our time. Consumers have the right to control and protect their data and personal information, not Big Tech.”

“Time and time again we see data breaches and information being misused and abused, leading to consumers being taken advantage of, or worse, having their personal freedoms compromised. The power needs to be placed in the consumers’ hands, and I appreciate many of my colleagues joining me to do just that. Unfortunately, the decision to empower consumers was not bipartisan.”

During the Assembly’s Wednesday floor session, the vote on Assembly Bill 957 saw every present Democrat legislator vote “no” to protect consumer data.

“I am shocked and disappointed to see the Democrats stand with Big Tech, supporting the notion that they should control your data to control and manipulate you. How can the party that claims to support the working class and little guy side with the oligarchy multiple times this session?”

This was not the first time Assembly Democrats chose Big Tech over Wisconsinites. In three committee votes on bills to protect our rights from the large social media companies, Democrat politicians voted against those pieces of legislation, too.

Representative Sortwell is available for comment.

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