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Rep. Steffen Applauds US Senate for Focusing on Online Safety for Kids

Hearing in US Senate highlighted Big Tech's failure to keep kids safe online

Madison, WI – Today, the US Senate Judiciary Committee held a public hearing focused on online child safety. Committee members questioned tech industry leaders on their failure to keep kids safe while using their platforms. Citing everything from drugs to trafficking to mental health issues, Senators questioned social media CEOs on their lack of accountability and discussed legislative solutions.

Representative Steffen (R-Howard) is the author of the Wisconsin Kids Online Safety Act, a proposal that would establish important protections for children who have social media accounts. Rep. Steffen provided the following statement in response to today's hearing in the US Senate:

"I am encouraged by the bipartisan attention the issue of online safety for kids received at the federal level today. The mental and physical harm that unrestricted social media has had on our kids cannot be overstated. Federal and state legislators need to turn their concern into action by passing comprehensive legislation that will keep our kids safe online and hold social media companies accountable."

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