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INCOMPAS: Senate Streams to The Rescue in Historic, Bipartisan Net Neutrality Vote

WASHINGTON, D.C. (May 16, 2018) – Today, in a historic vote, the United States Senate successfully passed a Congressional Review Act (CRA) resolution that would overturn the controversial Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Order that ends open internet policy.

Chip Pickering, CEO of INCOMPAS and a former Republican Congressman from Mississippi who led the first Congressional effort on net neutrality in 2006, released the following statement:

“By surpassing expectations in the Senate, net neutrality saving efforts have gained tremendous momentum heading into the House of Representatives. This is a win for young Americans who want to start a business and consumers who have cut the cord and love the streaming revolution.

“Net neutrality has wide support from over 80 percent of Americans, including conservatives and Trump supporters. No one wants a cable gatekeeper controlling the internet and main street businesses in rural America are growing louder in their calls to keep the internet open and free.

“We commend all those in Congress who voted for the CRA, as well as those seeking a sincere bipartisan legislative solution that rebukes the FCC repeal and reinstates strong, bright line rules that include no blocking, no throttling, no paid prioritization and strong interconnection.

“We thank the leadership of Senators Ed Markey (D-MA), Chuck Schumer (D-NY), Brian Schatz (D-HI) and Bill Nelson (D-FL). We also commend the votes of Senators Susan Collins (R-ME), John Kennedy (R-LA), and Lisa Murkowski (R-AK) - the history books will remember you as internet heroes.”

About INCOMPAS

INCOMPAS, the internet and competitive networks association, is the leading trade association advocating for competition policy across all networks. INCOMPAS represents internet, streaming, communications and technology companies large and small, advocating for laws and policies that promote competition, innovation and economic development. Learn more at www.incompas.org or follow us on Twitter [@INCOMPAS](https://twitter.com/INCOMPAS).