Demand Digital Liberty – Take Action Today!

Each day people like you are using the Electronic Frontier Foundation’s action center to protect freedom in the digital world. Scan the QR codes below or visit eff.org/Action to learn more about the issues facing us now, and join thousands of individuals in speaking out and creating a better future.

Unchain Your Phone – and All Your Devices: The Unlocking Technology Act is a bill that legalizes phone-unlocking by getting right to root of the issue. It provides an effective fix to the real problem in copyright: companies can exploit one-sided laws to prohibit users from modifying or repairing their devices by locking the technology with software. Congress is holding hearings on copyright reform—contact your legislators today to make sure the public voice is heard.

Fight Patent Trolls. Support the SHIELD Act: Patent trolls are suing everyday users and creators of common technology—podcasters, mobile app developers, cafes that run Wi-Fi, and too many more. The SHIELD Act works by making the troll model of absurd lawsuits and clever settlements much more financially infeasible. Tell Congress to support the SHIELD Act and defend innovation today.

Defend Innovation: Speak Out Against Software Patents: The patent system is in crisis, and it endangers the future of software development in the United States with illegitimate and burdensome lawsuits against small companies. Let’s create a system that defends innovation, instead of hindering it.

CISPA is Back: CISPA would grant companies more power to obtain “threat” information (such as from private communications of users) and to disclose that data to the government without a warrant -- including sending data to the National Security Agency. Join EFF in opposing it now. You can even use our interactive tool to tweet your rep directly: https://cyberspying.eff.org.

Reform Computer Crime Law in Memory of Aaron Swartz: The tragic death of Aaron Swartz, a 26-year-old coder and social activist, has shone a light on the sad truth about America’s misguided computer crime law, the breadth of discretion given to overzealous prosecutors, and the unjust results that can occur when these two things work together. Congress must update the CFAA to ensure the penalties actually make sense in light of the behavior they’re meant to punish.

Secure Open Access to Taxpayer-Funded Research: Government agencies invest millions of taxpayer dollars into scientific research every year, and yet you — the taxpayer — don’t have access to the results unless you pay thousands of dollars to buy academic journals. The Fair Access to Science & Technology Research (FASTR) Act would fix this.

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Three Things Students Can Do Now to Promote Open Access: The open access movement is a long-standing campaign in the world of research to make scholarly works freely available and reusable. Today, students and citizens face barriers accessing information they need; professors have a harder time reviewing and teaching the state of the art; and cutting-edge research remains hidden behind paywalls, depriving it of the visibility it deserves. The good news is that the open access movement is changing all this, and you can help.

Support Federal Protection for Blogger’s Rights: Join EFF and the Public Participation Project in calling on Congress to support the PETITION Act, strong federal anti-SLAPP legislation. The concept is simple: when a blogger faces a legal threat for legitimate online content, she can file a motion to get the case dismissed quickly. If the case is found to be frivolous in court, she won’t have to pay the legal fees.

Demand a Free and Open Internet: Sign the Declaration of Internet Freedom to join a growing movement fighting for rights in the digital world. Join EFF in calling on elected officials to safeguard free expression, privacy, and innovation online.

Don’t Let TPP Become the Next ACTA: Contact Your Lawmakers and Demand Transparency! TPP is a trade agreement currently being negotiated by the United States and eight other countries. Like ACTA, the TPP is being negotiated in secret, and on a fast timetable. We don’t know what’s in the TPP IP chapter, and that’s what worries us. Entertainment industry executives who are members of the Industry Trade Advisory Committee will likely get to see the agreement drafts – again – but the rest of us will be kept in the dark unless we speak up now.

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