



# Internet Association

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The Honorable John Thune  
Chairman  
United States Senate Committee on  
Commerce, Science & Transportation  
254 Russell Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Bill Nelson  
Ranking Member  
United States Senate Committee on  
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The Honorable Marco Rubio  
United States Senate Committee on  
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The Honorable Roger Wicker  
Chairman, Subcommittee on Communications,  
Technology and the Internet  
United States Senate Committee on Commerce,  
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The Honorable Brian Schatz  
Ranking Member, Subcommittee on  
Communications, Technology and the Internet  
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Dear Chairman Thune, Ranking Member Nelson, Chairman Wicker, Ranking Member Schatz and Senator Rubio:

I write on behalf of the Internet Association in support of the recently introduced DOTCOM Act, 2015. The Internet Association is the unified voice of the Internet economy, representing the interests of leading Internet companies and their global community of users.

We have monitored the ICANN transition process since its announcement last year, and support its successful completion. At the same time, our member companies recognize that Congress has an important oversight role to play in the transition, since the seamless operation of the Internet is at stake. The approach taken in the DOTCOM Act will help ensure the necessary checks and balances are in place before a transition occurs, to the benefit of all stakeholders involved in it.

The Internet industry looks forward to working with the Senate Commerce, Science & Transportation Committee, the NTIA, and ICANN to ensure that stakeholders are protected as the transition moves forward.

Respectfully,

Michael Beckerman  
President & CEO  
Internet Association