

Mind Control Has No Place in a Free Society

Net Neutrality is essential to free speech, equal opportunity and economic innovation in America. Since the FCC removed this basic protection in 2005, the top executives of phone and cable companies have stated their intention to become the Internet's gatekeepers and to discriminate against Web sites that don't pay their added tolls.

Free, unhindered access to information is essential to an informed public and a democratic society. No company or special interest group should ever be allowed to restrict or control the free flow of public information. This absence of mind control is what allows free societies to function and to avoid becoming de facto totalitarian states.

This fundamental change would end the open Internet as we know it. It would damage my ability to connect with others, share information and participate in our 21st century democracy and economy. The FCC must ensure that broadband providers do not block, interfere with or discriminate against any lawful Internet traffic based on its ownership, source or destination.