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TO: Committee on the Judiciary

FROM: Senator William N. Brownsberger *WNB*

RE: S796, An Act updating privacy protections for personal electronic information

DATE: July 9, 2013

I write in support of S796, An Act updating privacy protections for personal electronic information. This bill would require law enforcement to obtain a warrant to access personal electronic information held by phone and internet companies. It would also update and improve long-standing practices in order to comply with constitutional requirements of obtaining a warrant from a court in order to search an individual's personal property.

I hope that the Committee will report S796 favorably.

