



McCAUL - WARNER COMMISSION ON DIGITAL SECURITY

WHAT THEY'RE SAYING IN THE PRESS

THE WALL STREET JOURNAL.

Editorial Board

“So a word on behalf of Michael McCaul, the Chairman of the House Homeland Security Committee, who has proposed convening an expert panel on technology and security in the modern era. Blue-ribbon commissions are usually a form of Beltway escapism, but in this case a detailed report and recommendations from leading minds in technology, law, computer science, police and intelligence could help shape a rough consensus—or at least establish a common set of facts. Such a halfway house might also help calm political tempers and marginalize the absolutists.”

Los Angeles Times

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“But there are legitimate interests on both sides, and the courts aren't the right venue to balance them. That's Congress' job. That's why it makes sense for Congress to bring together experts from the worlds of tech and law enforcement to search for an alternative to orders such as the one Apple is fighting, as House Homeland Security Committee Chairman Michael McCaul (R-Texas) and Sen. Mark Warner (D-Va.), a member of the Senate Intelligence Committee, are expected to propose early next week. Their legislation would create a commission to find ways to address technological barriers to law enforcement and national security without making personal & business data more vulnerable to hackers.”

HOUSTON CHRONICLE

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“There's simply too many policy implications for this issue to be handled by the courts. Houston's own House Homeland Security Chairman Michael McCaul, R-Texas, has formally proposed a new encryption and digital security commission to study the future of digital security. That's one of the smartest arguments we've heard.”

Austin American-Statesman

Editorial Board

“However it's framed, Congress has been reluctant to try to find a digital balance between individual and business security and national security. We support a proposal by McCaul aimed at moving Congress beyond its reluctance.”

Chicago Tribune

Editorial Board Member Clarence Page

“A growing consensus of high-tech executives, law enforcement officials and politicians prefers to see solutions through legislation, not the courts. Sen. Mark Warner, D-Va., and Rep. Michael McCaul, R-Texas, are proposing a digital-security commission for that purpose. Good idea. The future of digital communications, as well as personal liberties, is at stake.”