

March 27, 2023

The Honorable Phil Christofanelli 201 West Capitol Avenue Room 306C Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Representative Christofanelli:

BSA | the Software Alliance is the leading advocate for the global software industry. Our members are enterprise software companies that create the business-to-business technologies that other businesses use. For example, BSA members provide transforming tools including cloud storage services, customer relationship management software, human resource management programs, identity management services, and collaboration software. Privacy and security protections are fundamental parts of BSA members' processes. Furthermore, their business models do not depend on monetizing users' data.

We strongly encourage policymakers to take every opportunity to modernize all kinds of digital infrastructure through cloud solutions and technology solutions like the ones below. These tools can ease processes for citizens, shorten timelines for design and construction projects, and secure the state's data.

We recommend the following areas in which Missouri, working with industry and other stakeholders, should focus on making its resources and infrastructure highly resilient, accessible, and protected by signing HB881, relating to electronic estate planning documents. It is especially beneficial to active-duty military stationed overseas, child and elder caregivers, and the sick or elderly.

Thank you for the opportunity to share our views and we look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Manager, State Advocacy

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