

HOUSE REPUBLICAN HIGH-TECH WORKING GROUP

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The Innovation and Competitiveness Act

Promoting Research and Development

- American businesses must have the tools to stay competitive in a changing and expanding global marketplace. House Republicans remain committed to ensuring a dynamic environment that spurs innovative products and better services, creates high-wage American jobs, and promotes a vibrant economy.

Increasing America's Talent Pool

- American students need to know our nation rewards and values the achievements of future generations of scientists and researchers. Continued investment in these young men and women will lead to the next groundbreaking discoveries – from energy independence, to critical lifesaving cures, to the next technological revolution. House Republicans understand that a smarter, faster, and more efficient America depends upon our dedication and support.

Reducing Red Tape and Creating an Innovation Environment

- Facilitating vibrant online commerce is essential for American businesses to remain competitive across the country and around the world. House Republicans remain committed to eliminating cumbersome regulations, tearing down barriers to healthy competition, and preventing stifling taxation.

Reforming Our Legal System

- For small business owners, even the threat of a lawsuit can mean significant time away from their business – time that could be better spent growing their enterprise, employing more people, and contributing to our nation's economy. Without the deterrent of punishment for filing frivolous lawsuits, innocent citizens and companies will continue to face abuses from the tort system. House Republicans remain committed to helping small businesses and putting a stop to abusive lawsuits.

Creating and Expanding Incentives for Access and Efficiency in Health Care

- Breakthrough innovations in health care are occurring every day – not just in research labs and hospitals, but in technology that saves lives and reduces costs for patients and businesses. House Republicans remain committed to ensuring doctors, nurses and healthcare professions take advantage of emerging technologies, such as an interoperable health information network, that make their work seamless, accurate, and efficient.