Magazine Publishers Support the PRESS Act

Legislation Would Codify Protections Needed to Preserve Vital Public Interest Journalism

Washington, D.C., July 1, 2021 – MPA – the Association of Magazine Media today expressed support for the <u>Protect Reporters from Excessive State</u> <u>Suppression (PRESS) Act</u> introduced by Senator Ron Wyden and Representative Jamie Raskin.

"MPA commends Senator Wyden and Representative Raskin on their efforts to establish guidelines that reinforce longstanding journalistic protections and update them for the digital age. We look forward to continuing our work with Congress to support and protect the vital public interest role that a free press plays in American democracy" said Brigitte Schmidt Gwyn, President & CEO of MPA – The Association of Magazine Media.

The association, which represents more than 500 magazine media brands, has long supported legislative proposals that promote the freedom to write and publish.

For over a century, MPA has defended and promoted the nation's right to a free press. Magazine media serves a vital public interest through incisive, carefully researched long-form journalism.

The PRESS Act would codify reasonable procedures and judicial review safeguards for government investigations that seek confidential information from media publishers or their service providers.

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