

Lawmakers Demand Permanent Data Files on Children

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Under the guise of "education" and "transparency," congressional leaders and their cronies are plotting to create a totalitarian-style federal data regime that would ultimately seek to compile federal dossiers containing detailed private information on every American. What remains of privacy and parental rights are both in grave danger.



The threat comes in the form of three particular pieces of legislation: The College Transparency Act (CTA), or H.R. 2434, the Foundations for Evidence-Based Policy-making Act (FEPA), or H.R. 4174, and the Student Privacy Protection Act, or H.R. 3157. Among other policies, this trio of bills would remove prohibitions on collecting and sharing personally identifiable data on students.

Taken together, the legislation — some of which could be voted on in the coming days — will lay the groundwork for the federal government to know virtually everything on everyone. Student data, for example, will give way to workforce data, which can be combined with tax data, law enforcement information, and much more. The data would then be shared across the federal government, creating a seamless data regime that advocates hope will facilitate and enable expanded central planning schemes.

In a letter to lawmakers signed by a broad coalition of individuals and organizations that opposes the plan to allow Big Brother to have access to everyone's data, signatories noted that the massive amounts of information would obviously become a treasure trove for hackers and criminals. But more importantly, even if the data could be kept safe from private-sector criminals, "there are certain lines a free society should not cross." And this is one of those, the letter argues.

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