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Hello Laura,

With the House concluding its final votes of the year, it has been a productive and exciting week in Washington, D.C. As we close out the first session of the 119th Congress, I am grateful for the work we've done on behalf of Wyoming and excited about what lies ahead.

I am especially thankful to be heading home to spend Christmas with family and loved ones, a reminder of what truly matters. I wish you and your family a very Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah, and a wonderful holiday season.

## Honoring Senator Cynthia Lummis

For over forty-six years in working for the public trust, Cynthia Lummis has embodied the clear-eyed common sense that Wyoming is known for. Her retirement marks the close of an extraordinary era in our state's political history—one defined by integrity, independence, and an unwavering devotion to the people she served. Cynthia built one of the most distinguished and consequential careers in the history of Wyoming public life. She will leave having made Wyoming and America stronger, and I will always consider her a lifelong friend.

Senator Lummis has most recently earned national recognition for her pioneering work in cryptocurrency policy, pressing for innovation while demanding transparency and accountability. Her forward-looking approach reflects her belief that financial and technological progress can coexist and allow for individual freedom and fiscal safety.

Yet even while pursuing groundbreaking policies in modern finance, Lummis never lost sight of her Wyoming roots. She remained an advocate for farmers, energy producers, and landowners. She defended the rights of ranchers, miners, and small business owners who built Wyoming over the centuries and kept the state's economy strong. And she brought Western common sense to the debates that too often get lost in the noise of Washington.

Senator Lummis has been a trailblazer for Wyoming and has been key in educating other members of Congress, including other Republicans, about what life is like in our Western states. She knew that to do what's right for our people, she had to first make sure folks in D.C. knew how their actions would affect us out west. There can be no question that the people of Wyoming are better off for having had Cynthia Lummis on our side.

## Protecting Parental Rights in Education

I introduced the Parental Rights Relief Act to give parents a private right of action, or the ability to sue in civil court over violations of federal law that permit them access to certain K-12 school materials, including surveys, questionnaires, and evaluations on sensitive topics.

Families across the country have been shut out, ignored, or forced to wait months or even years, while federal bureaucrats under Democratic Administrations failed to address legitimate complaints. My legislation empowers parents and students with real legal recourse when their rights are violated and requires the Department of Education to resolve complaints within 90 days.

Parents are the primary stakeholders in their children's education, not Washington bureaucrats. This bill makes it clear that parental rights are not optional, and schools and the federal government will be held accountable when those rights are ignored.

I will continue fighting to ensure families have the final say in their children's education.

## Modernizing Permitting to Strengthen America's Economy

I voted for the SPEED Act to modernize our federal permitting system and get America building again. For decades, outdated regulations and activist-driven lawsuits have blocked critical projects, driven up costs, and killed good-paying jobs. While other nations build modern infrastructure, expand energy production, and compete to lead in emerging technologies like artificial intelligence, NEPA keeps America stuck in the 20th century.

The SPEED Act modernizes NEPA by focusing environmental reviews on a project's actual impacts and by setting clear, reasonable timelines. It strengthens coordination with state, local, and tribal partners while limiting frivolous lawsuits that exist solely to delay or stop responsible development.

By passing the SPEED Act, Congress can unleash American innovation, lower costs for families, and allow infrastructure and energy projects to move forward responsibly. I urge the Senate to take up this legislation quickly and send it to the President's desk.

## Advancing Key Priorities

During a Natural Resources Committee markup, we advanced several important priorities to the full House.

The committee moved forward the ESA Amendments Act, including my proposal to modernize the Endangered Species Act by renaming it the Endangered Species Recovery Act—a change Senators Lummis, Barrasso, and I introduced to better reflect the law's core purpose of recovering species and returning management to the states.

The Committee also advanced my bipartisan legislation to promote tribal economic development. This bill updates outdated federal law by allowing all federally recognized tribes to enter into voluntary leases of up to 99 years. By extending lease terms beyond the current 25-year limit, we give tribes the certainty they need to attract investment, build housing and infrastructure, and plan for long-term economic growth without forcing them to repeatedly come before Congress.

These reforms reduce unnecessary bureaucracy, respect tribal sovereignty, and help ensure our laws work for communities on the ground. I look forward to seeing both bills considered by the full House.

## Introducing Sunset to Reform Section 230 Act

I introduced the Sunset to Reform Section 230 Act to require Congress to reform the broad content removal authority given to Big Tech.

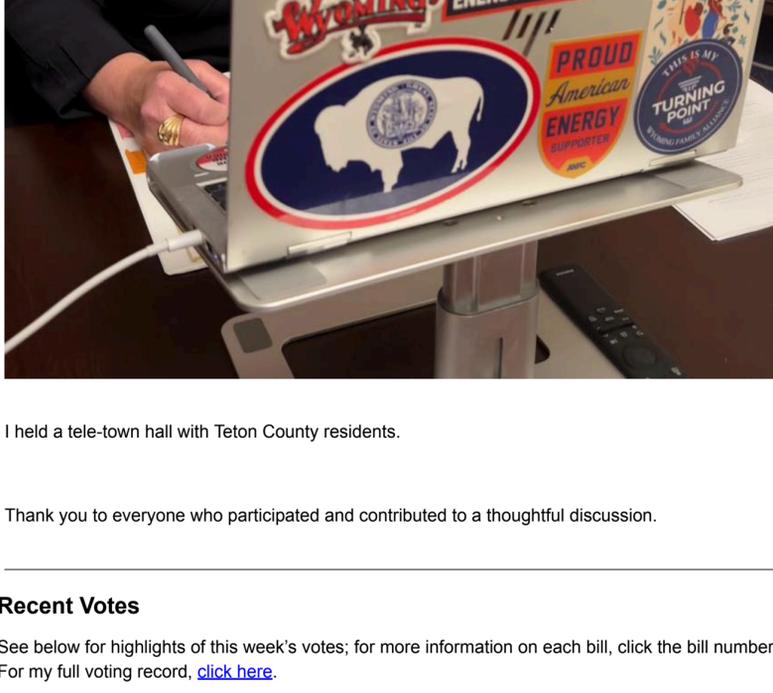
Section 230 of the Communications Decency Act gives platforms a broad liability shield to remove content that is "otherwise objectionable." Congress did not define what constitutes objectionable content, nor could it, since that standard is not shared among our citizens and is too nebulous, thereby allowing the tech companies free rein to decide. Since 1996, our ever-expanding Big Tech companies have defined this phraseology with their own Silicon Valley bias, facilitating censorship of Americans, especially conservatives.

My legislation adds a sunset provision to Section 230. The law is in dire need of reform, but special interests will work tirelessly to block Congress from choosing to act. A sunset provision would *require* Congress to act, or else this authority would lapse, thereby taking away the immunity that they currently enjoy. In our reauthorization process, we can also redefine what the liability shield covers. If Congress changed the liability to cover the removal of content that is unlawful, social media platforms could continue to remove content that harms children, but not take down speech with which it does not agree.

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## Recent Photos



I held a tele-town hall with Teton County residents.

Thank you to everyone who participated and contributed to a thoughtful discussion.

## Recent Votes

See below for highlights of this week's votes; for more information on each bill, click the bill number. For my full voting record, [click here](#).

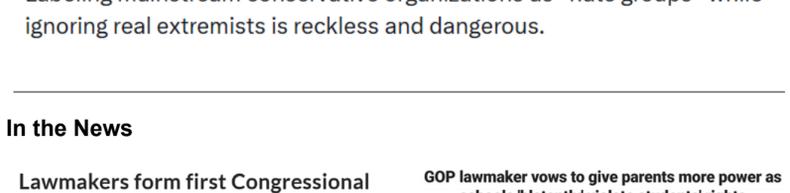
Voted YES on [H.R.1366](#) – Mining Regulatory Clarity Act

Voted YES on [H. R. 3492](#) – Protect Children's Innocence Act

Voted YES on [H. R. 4371](#) – Kayla Hamilton Act

Voted YES on [H. R. 845](#) – Pet and Livestock Protection Act

## Video of the Week



I joined Jake Nichols with Cowboy State Daily to talk about my legislation to repeal the Buffalo RMPA being signed into law, my bill introductions this week, and more.

## Tweet of the Week

**Rep. Harriet Hageman** [@RepHageman](#)

Labeling mainstream conservative organizations as "hate groups" while ignoring real extremists is reckless and dangerous.

## In the News

**Lawmakers form first Congressional Trucking Caucus in United States history**

Parents and students deserve clear, enforceable rights when it comes to educational records and privacy. My legislation provides a permanent solution and makes clear that parental rights are not optional, and schools and the federal government will be held accountable when those rights are violated.

**GOP lawmaker vows to give parents more power as schools 'blatantly' violate students' rights**

American truckers are the backbone of our supply chain. Challenges such as burdensome regulations, an increase in illegal CDL holders, and safety concerns impact communities across the nation. By launching the Congressional Trucking Caucus, we will continue supporting the trucking industry by advancing policies that promote road safety and a thriving trucking workforce.

## Need Help With a Federal Agency?

One of the ways my office serves Wyomingites is by helping constituents navigate federal agencies. I am proud to share that November was an exceptional month for our casework team.

If you are facing issues with a federal agency, whether it is the VA, Social Security, the IRS, or another department, my office may be able to help. We can assist with paperwork, follow up on stalled cases, and make sure your concerns are heard and resolved as quickly as possible.

You can fill out a casework form on my [website](#) or call us directly at (307) 261-6595.

## I Want to Hear From You!

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Sincerely,

**Rep. Harriet Hageman**

**Member of Congress**

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