



Support the Flock-Off Act



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U.S. Representative Thomas Massie (R-Ky.) has introduced [H.R. 10221](#), the “Flock-Off Act,” to “prohibit the use of Federal funds for covered camera systems and associated components, and for other purposes.” Introduced on September 2, 2026, the bill is currently [co-sponsored by](#) Representatives Eric Burlison (R-Mo.), Ro Khanna (D-Calif.), Victoria Spartz (R-Ind.), Paul Gosar (R-Ariz.), Chip Roy (R-Texas), and Lauren Boebert (R-Colo.).

Automated license-plate readers and biometric surveillance cameras that capture vehicle or individual images, extract data with machine learning, and transmit that data to remote or cloud-based systems. The Flock-Off Act would prohibit the use of federal funds to purchase, lease, install, deploy, maintain, operate, or upgrade these covered camera systems and associated components. The ban also covers associated hardware, software, algorithms, databases, cloud services, and data-sharing agreements. Massie [stated in a press release](#):

The federal government shouldn’t provide “security” grants to cities and police departments that have gone beyond the pale and turned their communities into a version of 1984.... The Flock-Off Act withholds federal money from municipalities and police departments that deploy Flock cameras to surveil law-abiding citizens. Federal taxpayers should not be forced to fund the surveillance state.

Rep. Burlison said:

Technology may change, but our constitutional rights do not.... The Fourth Amendment protects Americans from unreasonable searches, and advances in surveillance technology should not come at the expense of our privacy and liberty. The federal government should not use taxpayer dollars to build a surveillance state that tracks law-abiding Americans. Our rights are unalienable, and Congress has a responsibility to protect them.

These camera networks do not solely photograph suspected criminals; they continuously record the movements

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of law-abiding citizens, then store and share that data. Taxpayers should not be forced to fund a warrantless-tracking infrastructure that treats every driver and pedestrian as a criminal suspect in a law-enforcement dragnet.

The Flock-Off Act upholds the Fourth, Fifth, and 14th Amendments by preventing the federal government from subsidizing mass surveillance, and puts the financial burden on local governments that seek to use these draconian systems. Furthermore, the bill accomplishes this without expanding federal control or bureaucracy.

Contact your U.S. representative and senators, and urge them to co-sponsor and support the Flock-Off Act (H.R. 10221).