

ASOP Global Applauds Senate Judiciary Committee for Moving Cooper Davis Act Through Markup and to Senate Floor

Bipartisan Bill Protects America's Youth Against Deadly Fentanyl-Laced Fake Meds

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The U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee held a markup of S.1080, the Cooper Davis Act. <u>The Alliance for Safe Online Pharmacies</u> (ASOP Global) applauds the Senate Judiciary Committee for pushing Big Tech to take a more proactive role against illegal online drug sellers.

The Cooper Davis Act, named for 16-year-old Cooper Davis, who died from a fentanyl-laced pill obtained through a social media platform, helps federal, state, and local law enforcement fight the illegal online sale of counterfeit medicine laced with potentially deadly doses of fentanyl. Social media companies and other communication service providers have similar reporting requirements for child sexual exploitation under then-Senator Joe Biden's bipartisan PROTECT our Children Act of 2008.

"Criminals exploit anonymous online platforms, and requiring that social media companies partner with law enforcement will save lives," said Libby Baney, partner at Faegre Drinker LLP and senior advisor to ASOP Global. "We must hold digital drug dealers accountable for targeting America's youth via social media platforms."

The bipartisan bill is cosponsored by Senators Roger Marshall, MD, Jeanne Shaheen, Chuck Grassley, Dick Durbin, Todd Young, and Amy Klobuchar.

ASOP Global urges Congress to swiftly pass this much-needed legislation to ensure that law enforcement has the necessary tools to stop online criminals and protect young Americans.

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The Alliance for Safe Online Pharmacies (ASOP Global), a 501(c)(4) nonprofit organization headquartered in Washington, D.C. with activities in the U.S., Canada, Europe, Latin America, and Asia, is dedicated to protecting consumers around the world, ensuring safe access to medications, and combating illegal online drug sellers.