Dear Banned Author | What would you say to your favorite banned and challenged author? This Banned Books Week (September 23-29), we're hosting a Dear Banned Author letter-writing campaign, and we hope you'll join us! Visit the website to find author addresses, programming tools and printable postcards.

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Congress wants to hear from everyone but consumers in a hearing on consumer privacy | Los Angeles Times
Legislators pushing a Patriot Act, but for human trafficking in the wake of FOSTA | Tech Dirt; "Specifically, H.R. 6729 would allow financial institutions, federal regulatory bodies, nonprofit organizations, and law enforcement to share customer bank records between them without running afoul of rules regarding consumer privacy and without opening themselves up to lawsuits."

EFF opposes industry efforts to have Congress roll back state privacy protections | EFF

Just don't call it privacy | The New York Times

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AG Ken Paxton joins court fight in defense of Texas law requiring schoolkids to say Pledge | Dallas News

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