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## **TechNet Statement on Introduction of Flake-Gardner Patent Reform Legislation**

*Washington*—TechNet, the national, bipartisan network of innovation economy CEOs and senior executives, today issued the following statement by President and CEO Linda Moore on Senator Cory Gardner’s (R-CO) legislation addressing venue reform in patent litigation.

**“TechNet commends Senators Flake and Gardner for introducing critically important venue reform legislation. The bill would reduce frivolous litigation and venue shopping and would allow cases to be considered on their merits, not on where the case is heard. Specifically, the legislation sets requirements for where civil actions can be filed in intellectual property litigation by stipulating that actions can only be brought where the defendant is located or where the alleged infringing action took place.”**

**“We urge the Judiciary Committee and the full Senate to approve the legislation as soon as possible and strike a blow against patent trolls who abuse our patent litigation system.”**

### **About TechNet**

*TechNet is the national, bipartisan network of technology CEOs and senior executives that promotes the growth of the innovation economy by advocating a targeted policy agenda at the federal and 50-state level. TechNet’s diverse membership includes dynamic startups to the most iconic companies on the planet and represents more than 2.5 million employees in the fields of information technology, e-commerce, advanced energy, biotechnology, venture capital, and finance. TechNet has offices in Washington, D.C., Silicon Valley, San Francisco, Sacramento, Austin, Boston, Seattle, Albany, and Tallahassee.*

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