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The Maine Legislature has sent to the governor's desk one of the strictest online privacy proposals in the country. The Senate gave final approval by voting unanimously in favor of the bill on Thursday. The bill prohibits internet service providers from using, disclosing, selling or permitting access to a customer's personal information unless a customer "opts in."

It also requires providers to take reasonable measures to protect customers' personal information from unauthorized use, disclosure, sale or access. And it prohibits providers from refusing to serve customers or charge customers who do not consent to their personal information being shared. The Maine State Chamber of Commerce opposes the bill, saying it is bad policy to pass such restrictions on a state-by-state basis.
 – ***Associated Press***

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Few companies appeal to more disparate corners of American society than the Walt Disney Co., so count us among the bewildered to see Disney CEO Bob Iger march to the front lines of the culture wars. Mr. Iger told Reuters this week that it would be “very difficult” for Disney to continue filming its movie and television content in Georgia if a new state abortion law takes effect. “I think many people who work for us will not want to work there, and we will have to heed their wishes in that regard. Right now we are watching it very carefully,” Mr. Iger said.

Georgia recently passed a bill banning abortion after a fetal heartbeat can be detected, which is usually around six weeks of gestation. Such heartbeat bills are moving through several states, though the federal courts are likely to rule that they violate the Supreme Court’s abortion precedents. Perhaps the High Court will hear an appeal, though this week the Justices declined to hear a lower-court decision overturning an Indiana law that barred abortion based on gender, race or disability.

Mr. Iger is probably trying to please the bulk of his employees and Hollywood who lean left. Disney’s competitors at Netflix have condemned the Georgia law. But for Mr. Iger this looks like a business and political mistake of the kind he rarely makes. Disney of all companies should not want to be seen as an engine of the left’s cultural imperialism. The company’s new streaming service is pitched as “family friendly,” which presumably means customers in Macon as well as Manhattan.

More than a few Americans may also notice the contradiction that Disney is more worried about filming in a U.S. state that has passed a law democratically than it is operating its theme park and hawking its films in China, which uses facial-recognition software to monitor its population and has a million Uighurs in re-education camps.

Georgians have a right to self government, and like other Americans they aren’t fond of receiving ultimatums from elites on the coasts. It won’t help Mr. Iger’s business or his progressive causes if he persuades half the country that Disney thinks they’re deplorable. – **Wall Street Journal editorial**

The 2020 Democratic primary in Pennsylvania is still nearly 11 months away, but Sara Atkins was eager to be first in the race to challenge State Sen. Daylin Leach’s bid for a fourth term. She introduced herself [this week with a video](#) that laid out her history of health-care activism and Leach’s political vulnerability. “When there’s a sexual harasser in your own backyard, you have to step up and replace them,” Atkins says, as headlines cover a picture of Leach. (On her lengthy resumé as a protester: [picketing a Leach fund-raiser](#) last year, demanding he resign.)

The Inquirer reported in 2017 that eight women and three men alleged [the senator behaved inappropriately](#) toward young female campaign staffers and volunteers. Then a Lehigh County woman accused Leach of luring her into performing oral sex on him in 1991 when she was 17 and he was a lawyer representing her mother on attempted-murder charges. Leach has denied the accusations and [sued his accuser](#), along with two Philadelphia-area activists who have supported her.

His district covers parts of Montgomery and Delaware Counties. The Democratic Parties in [both counties called on him to resign](#) earlier this year. He has refused and, in an email to supporters this week, said his work “on so many controversial issues earns me a steady stream of attacks.” – **Philadelphia Daily News**

