

United States Senate

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Dear Colleague:

Radio frequency identification (RFID) is an innovative technology that uses radio waves to uniquely identify objects. RFID will revolutionize business and technology in America much as cell phones and the internet have changed our personal lives. In addition, RFID promises to strengthen homeland security and transform the supply chain for industry and government. Some uses already being explored include tracking cargo through our ports and airports, ensuring the safety of our food supply, and reducing counterfeit prescription drugs.

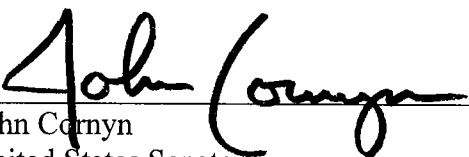
RFID is well positioned to bring significant benefits to numerous government and private sector initiatives. As this technology and innovation flourishes, it also poses unique policy challenges. **Therefore, we ask you to join us in forming the Senate RFID Caucus to provide a dedicated forum to discuss the benefits, policy challenges, and innovative solutions of RFID.**

The United States is currently a leader in the development of RFID technology and its applications; however, many other countries are poised to take the lead. The formation of the RFID Caucus represents a significant step in helping policymakers understand how we can help maintain US leadership in this key area of technology and innovation.

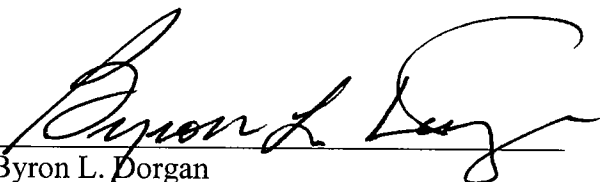
To maximize the benefits of this technology, Congress must be informed and prepared to guide efforts to implement and deploy RFID. The RFID Caucus will work with government agencies, research institutions, non-profits and corporate America to better understand how to successfully utilize this technology. We will provide a dedicated forum to educate and discuss the important issues surrounding RFID, including National Security Applications, International & State Perspectives, Industrial Applications, Standards & Interoperability, and Privacy & Security.

A briefing to present an overview of RFID technology and to introduce the RFID Caucus, its mission and goals will be held soon. Details on this event will be forthcoming in the next few weeks. **If you are interested in joining the Senate RFID Caucus, please contact Johné Parker (4-4354) in Senator Byron Dorgan's office or Jamie McWright (8-0638) in Senator John Cornyn's office.**

Sincerely



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