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INFORMATIONAL HEARING

Tuesday, March 17, 2026
1:30 p.m., State Capitol, Room 437

Online Safety Controls: What They Are, Why They Can Fail, And What We Can Do About It

AGENDA

Opening statement: The stakes for families

Victoria and Paul Hinks, advocates for social media safety

Panel 1: Overview of the types of online safety controls, challenges, and reasons for failure

1. Sunny Liu, Director of Research, Stanford Social Media Lab
2. Lishaun Francis, Policy Analyst & Advocate, Children Now
3. Anneke Buffone, PhD, Founder & CEO CLARA (Clear AI Risk Assurance)

Panel 2: Industry perspective: how leading companies are addressing online safety controls

1. Nicole Lopez, Director of Global Litigation Strategy, Meta
2. Emily Cashman Kirstein, Child Safety Manager, Google
3. Lauren Haber Jonas, Head of Youth Well-Being and Families, OpenAI
4. Eliza Jacobs, Senior Director, Product Policy, Roblox

Panel 3: Potential solutions for families, industry, and policymakers

1. Holly Grosshans, Senior Counsel for Tech Policy, Common Sense Media
2. Sunny Xun Liu, Director of Research, Stanford Social Media Lab
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Public Comment