CONSENT CALENDAR

January 21, 2026

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

The Committee on Judiciary to which was referred HB 1436-FN,

AN ACT relative to the classification and protection of personal digital information and cloud-stored files.

Having considered the same, report the same with the following resolution: RESOLVED, that it is

INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.

Rep. Joe Alexander

FOR THE COMMITTEE

Original: House Clerk
Cc: Committee Bill File

COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee:	**Judiciary**
Bill Number:	**HB 1436-FN**
Title:	**relative to the classification and protection of personal digital information and cloud-stored files.**
Date:	**January 21, 2026**
Consent Calendar:	**CONSENT**
Recommendation:	**INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE**

STATEMENT OF INTENT

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Vote 11-3.

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