



OVERNIGHT TECH: Lawmakers launch caucus on Internet's 'sharing economy'

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LAWMAKERS TO EXPLORE '.SUCKS.': A pair of House committee's will explore the world of Internet domain names on Wednesday -- including the infamous ".sucks" address. The House Judiciary Committee and Energy and Commerce Committee will both hear testimony on the government's plan to hand off oversight and management of the Internet domain name system.

DOMAIN OPERATOR BRUSHES OFF 'HEAT': The Judiciary Committee will specifically dig into the ".sucks." domain name and its operator that has been criticized for alleged "predatory" behavior when selling the names. Vox Populi, the company that controls the domain, will not be attending. The company's chief executive John Barard told The Hill he does not believe his company was invited but said the criticism is unfounded. He said some congressional hearings "are often as much about heat as they are about light."

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