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## **General Comment**

Please don't get rid of the Inter Partes Review; it would encourage people and companies to further abuse patents and stifle innovation that otherwise can't be defended in court. Removing this review mechanism will damage legitimate developers with dubious litigation with unsupportable patents. Stop this injustice immediately; don't give in to patent abusers using flawed patents to extort legitimate businesses that are playing by the rules and producing good jobs.