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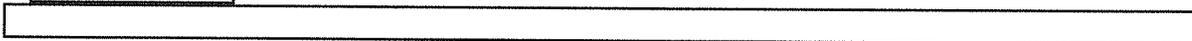
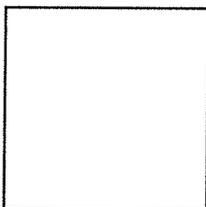
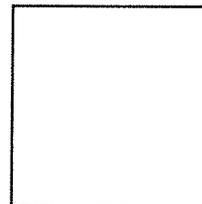
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On Monday, the Senate took a major step forward in bringing the bipartisan Marketplace Fairness Act to reality. The clock is ticking and in the next 24 hours the Senate will begin to debate the bill and potential amendments.

The bill allows state and local governments to compel online retailers to collect sales tax. It would end the tax breaks for large online retailers.

To help get the bill across the finish line, Senators need to continue hearing from local officials.

We ask that you call your Senators and ask them to support the current version of the bill and to reject any amendments that would preempt local taxing authority.

The real concern is the legislation may be seen as a vehicle to move long-standing legislation to preempt local taxing authority. These amendments could include measures like the Wireless Tax Fairness Act of 2011 or the End Discriminatory State Taxes for Automobile Renters Act of 2011 or others that favor one industry over others relative to state and local taxing authority.

Of course, NLC will strongly oppose any federal preemption of local government taxing authority, and **we ask you and your legislators to do the same.**

We have momentum for Senate passage of the Marketplace Fairness Act **this week**. President Obama joined with us this week to support this bipartisan legislation. Please do the same by calling your Senators and tell them to pass this important legislation with no amendments.

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