

United States Senate

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Dear Mr. Langley:

I am writing to request information regarding the storage of, and access to, photos, recordings, and other data related to New Hampshire residents within Flock databases. Privacy is critically important to Granite Staters, and New Hampshire law has strong protections to prevent the bulk, indefinite collection of people's travel and other identifiable information. However, based upon public reporting and Flock's own statements, it appears that Flock's system of license plate readers and associated databases undermine the privacy rights of Granite Staters. Accordingly, I request that you provide a full and complete accounting of how your system records, stores, and allows access to information related to New Hampshire residents and their vehicles.

In 2016, as Governor, I signed into law a statutory regime for license plate readers that protects Granite Staters' privacy rights while also allowing for reasonable law enforcement actions to protect public safety.¹ New Hampshire law ensures that Granite Staters' information that is captured by license plate readers cannot be stored for more than three minutes, unless specific law enforcement related criteria are met. Specifically, New Hampshire law requires that: automated license plate readers can only be used by law enforcement; license plate readers can only be used to scan, detect, and identify license plate numbers for specific law enforcement identification purposes, such as identifying stolen vehicles, vehicles associated with missing persons, vehicles registered to individuals with active warrants, vehicles associated with homicides, etc.; and records of license plates read by license plate readers must be destroyed within three minutes of their capture, unless those license plates are identified as matches to certain law enforcement criteria and subsequent specific law enforcement actions are taken as a result of this match (such as an arrest).²

Based upon public reporting and Flock's own statements, it appears that Flock operates a network of more than 120,000 cameras, in more than 6,000 communities across 49 states,

¹ "Bill Text: NH HB1154 | 2016 | Regular Session | Chaptered." LegiScan, 2016.

<https://legiscan.com/NH/text/HB1154/id/1426523>; "Docket of HB1154." General Court of New Hampshire – Bill Status System, 2016.

https://gc.nh.gov/bill_status/legacy/bs2016/bill_docket.aspx?lsr=2350&sy=2016&sortoption=&txtsessionyear=2016

² Title XXI New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated Chapter 261:75-b, 2016.

<https://gc.nh.gov/ras/html/XXI/261/261-75-b.htm>; Landrigan, Kevin. "New Tool for NH Police: License Plate Readers." New Hampshire Union Leader, June 7, 2018. https://www.unionleader.com/news/safety/new-tool-for-nh-police-license-plate-readers/article_2619a0d9-c07a-5821-b17b-5fc1dabf4c7e.html; DeWitt, Ethan. "As States Seek to Rein in Flock License Plate Cameras, NH Is Considered a Model." New Hampshire Public Radio, September 26, 2026. <https://www.nhpr.org/nh-news/2026-09-26/flock-license-plate-cameras-nh-considered-a-model>.

through which 20 billion license plate scans occur each month.³ It also appears that Flock cameras can be utilized by non-law enforcement groups. For example, your company advertises your license plate readers to neighborhood watch programs, stating that homeowners' associations "can legally deploy LPR cameras when proper signage, policies, and access controls are in place."⁴ Furthermore, your company explicitly states that your "customers own the data, decide who can access it, and choose who they share it with."⁵ Flock also makes clear that, by default, license plate reader data collected by Flock is retained for seven days, unless applicable law requires otherwise.⁶ Accordingly, it stands to reason that Granite Staters who drive past Flock cameras located outside of New Hampshire will generally have their license plate information stored for much longer than the three-minute limit that protects privacy rights in New Hampshire.

Given the vast surveillance network your company has created, and the strong privacy protections enshrined in New Hampshire law, I request that you provide information regarding storage of and access to New Hampshire residents' information on Flock databases. Specifically, I request that you respond no later than November 5, 2026, to the following questions:

1. Does Flock operate cameras within New Hampshire? If so, please provide the following information:
 - a. What communities are these cameras located in?
 - b. How long is license plate and vehicle data that is captured by Flock cameras in these New Hampshire communities stored?
 - c. Who has access to this data?
 - d. Is every Flock camera and associated database in New Hampshire in full compliance with New Hampshire law?
2. Please list the states and jurisdictions outside of New Hampshire in which Flock cameras have captured information, images, or video of vehicles that bear New Hampshire license plates.
 - a. For each of these states and jurisdictions, how long is information and data related to New Hampshire license plates and New Hampshire registered vehicles stored on any database operated by Flock, Flock subsidiaries, or by Flock customers?

³ Drew Harwell, Douglas MacMillan, and Aaron Schaffer. "How Rogue Officers Turned a Nationwide Camera Network into a Tool for Stalking." The Washington Post, August 2, 2026. <https://www.washingtonpost.com/technology/2026/08/02/how-police-officers-used-vast-network-cameras-spy-their-exes/>; "Not All LPRs Are Created Equal." Flock Safety. Accessed October 1, 2026. <https://www.flocksafety.com/lp/proven-where-it-matters>.

⁴ "How to Use License Plate Reader Cameras for Neighborhood Security." Flock Safety Blog, February 20, 2026. <https://www.flocksafety.com/blog/why-neighborhood-watch-group-need-lpr-cameras>.

⁵ Langley, Garrett. "Flock Updates Privacy, Accountability, Security, and Transparency Safeguards." Flock Safety Blog, August 13, 2026. <https://www.flocksafety.com/blog/flock-guardrails-address-lpr-privacy-concerns-and-police-transparency>.

⁶ Langley, Garrett. "Flock Updates Privacy, Accountability, Security, and Transparency Safeguards." Flock Safety Blog, August 13, 2026. <https://www.flocksafety.com/blog/flock-guardrails-address-lpr-privacy-concerns-and-police-transparency>; "How Flock Protects and Manages Data." Flock Safety. Accessed October 1, 2026. <https://www.flocksafety.com/trust/data-privacy>.

- b. For each of these states and jurisdictions, please specify who has access to the databases mentioned above, and who specifically has access to information and data related to New Hampshire license plates and New Hampshire registered vehicles.
 - c. For each of these states and jurisdictions, what specific policies and safeguards are in place to limit improper access to information related to New Hampshire license plates and New Hampshire registered vehicles?
- 3. Are you aware of any data related to New Hampshire license plates, New Hampshire registered vehicles, or New Hampshire residents that was the subject of an unlawful or improper search on any database owned, maintained, or operated by Flock?
- 4. Given that New Hampshire law protects the privacy rights of New Hampshire residents and requires that license plate information captured by license plate readers in New Hampshire generally be deleted within three minutes, does Flock extend these privacy protections to images, video, and data of New Hampshire license plates that are recorded by Flock cameras outside of New Hampshire? Please note that this question is in regard to Flock policies, not legal requirements.

If you have any questions, please contact Joe Gookin at Joe_Gookin@hassan.senate.gov. Please send any official correspondence relating to this request to Joe_Gookin@hassan.senate.gov.

Sincerely,



Margaret Wood Hassan
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