1. If elected, would the candidate support or oppose reforms to the [Electronic Communications Privacy Act](https://www.eff.org/deeplinks/2013/03/ecpa-reform-continues-move-forward-today-hearing-house-and-movement-senate) that would require an individualized warrant based on probable cause before the government can search someone's email?

**Yes.  This is similar to what I am working on in Massachusetts. In January, 2013 (before the massive surveillance operations of the NSA came to light) I filed the Electronic Privacy Act in the Massachusetts Senate.  That bill recognizes that as technology changes we must be continually vigilant in protecting the privacy of Massachusetts residents.  My bill requires that personal electronic records, like email and cell phone location information, be protected the same way a person’s papers are protected.  The bill would permit law enforcement to obtain electronic records only when they are needed for an active investigation and a judge issues an individual warrant based on probable cause.**

**In Congress I would fight for similar protections, first by supporting the Electronic Communication Privacy Act and also by working with technology leaders to keep myself and my colleagues educated about technology changes in order to be able to propose continual updates to statutes and regulations needed to maintain the protections of the 4th amendment.**

*NOTE FROM DIGITAL FOURTH:*

*Sen. Spilka responded late to our questionnaire, so this response updates, but does not alter, her position. We are assuming that “supporting the Electronic Communication Privacy Act”, in context, really means “supporting* ***reforms to*** *the Electronic Communication Privacy Act.”*