

REPUBLICANS BACK SOUND MINIMIZATION OVERSIGHT

I'm watching HJC's first hearing on FISA Amendment, and I think the Republicans may be giving us a superb opportunity to address one of the big problems of the FISA Amendment.

You see, the Republicans have no fucking clue that the reason McConnell chose the Republican bill over the Democratic one is because it removed all oversight over minimization.

Thus far—and at 12:04 we've only had questions from 3 Republicans—Dan Lungren has already said the way to deal with concerns about civil liberties is to ensure the minimization procedures protect Americans. And the designated Republican shill, Robert Turner, said precisely the same thing.

Since the absence of any way to do that is one of the big defects with the current bill, I propose we use these public Republican comments to push a revision of the minimization oversight to ensure the Administration can't sneak into my underwear drawer.