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## HOW CAN WE USE EXISTING LAW TO PROTECT CHILDREN ONLINE?

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in individual apps, games, and online services. They offer parents a vision of control and safety. But do screen limits, content-filtering mechanisms, and other parental controls work as promised? Do parental controls work as effectively as they should to protect children from over-exposure to screens and harmful content, such as self-harm challenges and pornography? Are parental controls designed to anticipate children and teens' likely attempts to circumvent their limits? And are

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While law enforcers should not hesitate to stop the harmful uses of AI, we should also consider how we can promote its beneficial uses.<sup>10</sup> For example, (b) (5) - (d) (1) (8) (10) (w) o seh stlw wed

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and other stakeholders to promote innovative controls that will provide greater protections for children.

I have mentioned just three mechanisms to protect children online, but, as enforcers, I strongly believe that we should be looking at every possible avenue to use existing law to accomplish this important goal, while also offering our expertise to legislatures that can effect more systemic change. Sometimes, I ha.letim6 (ve)4[(o)291TJ0.002 Tc -0.00.79 0 Td(d[(ts4 Tc 0.044 Tw 3.89

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