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I support this bill to help make ticket-buying fair again. While I am not able to attend many concerts for several reasons, ticket prices are certainly one of them. The number one complaint I see amongst other music fans is the entire ticket-buying process from the initial ticket prices to the near the immediate double, triple, quadrupling and more of that price due to bots and scalpers to the various "service fees" doubling the price of the ticket to encountering a long "line" likely caused by said bots and scalpers. Not only does it make most any concert these days unaffordable and unattainable for the average fan, it deprives artists of ticket sales and good will (as the artists are often blamed for the problem). While the monopoly of Ticketmaster is the bigger issue that needs to be resolved, this is one step that can be taken since the Federal government is unlikely to do anything on behalf of consumers.