## Press Release

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HARRISBURG — Attorney General Josh Shapiro today announced that he and a bipartisan coalition of 46 other Attorneys General are investigating social media giant Facebook over potential antitrust violations. The investigation focuses on whether Facebook's dominance in the industry may have led to anticompetitive behavior that harms consumers.

"Facebook is a dominant force in the social media industry, and with that dominance comes an obligation to ensure their practices are not stifling competition," said Shapiro. "Our bipartisan coalition of 47 Attorneys General will follow the evidence wherever it leads, and we will not hesitate to take action to protect the rights of consumers."

In addition to Pennsylvania, the Attorneys General of Arizona, Arkansas, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, the District of Columbia, Florida, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Louisiana, Maine, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, Kentucky, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, Wisconsin, Wyoming, the territory of Guam are also participating in the investigation. A number of other states are also participating but cannot confirm their participation in pending investigations.