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MEDIA STATEMENT

IMS Health, SDI and Wolters Kluwer Health issued the following statement today regarding the decision by the U.S. District Court in Vermont to uphold the state's prescription restraint law, S.115.

"We are disappointed with Judge Murtha's decision. We believe we presented a very compelling argument at trial that these types of laws are not only unconstitutional but that they do nothing to advance public health. The key to improving healthcare quality, and reducing costs and variability in treatment is access to more information – not less. Prescriber-identifiable data is a critical resource in this information flow for all stakeholders. We believe today's decision was the wrong one and we are currently evaluating our legal options moving forward."

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