CHICAGO - Today, U.S. Representative Mike Quigley (IL-05) released the following statement regarding the Stop Online Piracy Act (SOPA):

"I have decided to oppose the Stop Online Piracy Act and will continue to oppose anti-piracy legislation until a compromise can be struck that protects the free and open nature of the internet. I voted in the Judiciary Committee to strip some of most troublesome provisions from the current bill, such as governmental authority to block websites, but my constituents and I still have many concerns with the existing bill. All sides must have a voice in crafting a compromise measure that protects the rights of the entire internet community, including artists and consumers."