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As a senior engineer at a large corporation it has become clear to me that Apples approach to the web is harming competition and putting undue burden on other companies which wish to provide web products.

Due to the current single browser policy in app store rule 2.5.6 all browser engines on iOS are running the same WebKit based engine.

Due to this restriction, and Apples underinvestment in the web, as engineers and companies wishing to support iOS users we have to go to extensive lengths to provide alternative implementations due to the lagging performance and compatibility characteristics of this engine.

Additionally to this the lack of engine competition and Apples underinvestment in the engine have endangered users data due to bugs which have taken unnecessarily long to fix. Users had no other option due to the app store rule other than to hope their data was not stolen.