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## S 187

National Cyber Security Leadership Act of 2003

**Congress:** 108 (2003–2005, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Science, Technology, Communications

**Introduced:** Jan 16, 2003

**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Governmental Affairs. (Jan 16, 2003)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Edwards, John [D-NC]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** NC • **Chamber:** Senate

### Cosponsors

*No cosponsors are listed for this bill.*

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jan 17, 2003

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Science, Technology, Communications

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

## Summary (as of Jan 16, 2003)

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National Cyber Security Leadership Act of 2003 - Requires the Chief Information Officer of each Federal agency to: (1) identify the significant vulnerabilities of the information technology (IT) of such agency; (2) establish performance goals for eliminating such vulnerabilities; (3) procure or develop tools to identify and eliminate those vulnerabilities in order to achieve such performance goals; (4) train personnel in the utilization of those tools; (5) test the agency's IT to determine the extent of its compliance with the performance goals; and (6) develop and implement a plan to eliminate significant vulnerabilities in order to achieve compliance.

Requires: (1) each Officer to include information on the agency's activities under this Act in annual reports on the agency's information security program and practices submitted to the Director of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB); and (2) the OMB Director to ensure the review of such reports by the Director of the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST); (3) the NIST Director to designate, as the result of such review, any significant IT vulnerabilities of such broad applicability and severity so as to warrant the use of government-wide guidelines the Director shall develop and make available to such Officers for complying with this Act; and (4) the Secretary of Commerce to mandate agency use of such guidelines.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Jan 16, 2003:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jan 16, 2003:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S1079)
- **Jan 16, 2003:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

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