

HR 2952

Cybersecurity Workforce Assessment Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Emergency Management

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Meehan, Patrick [R-PA-7]

Party: Republican • State: PA • Chamber: House

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Clarke, Yvette D. [D-NY-9]	D · NY		Sep 18, 2013

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee	Senate	Discharged From	Dec 10, 2014
Homeland Security Committee	House	Reported by	Sep 18, 2013

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Emergency Management

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

(This measure has not been amended since it was passed by the Senate on December 10, 2014. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

Cybersecurity Workforce Assessment Act - Directs the Secretary of Homeland Security, within 180 days and annually thereafter for three years, to conduct an assessment of the cybersecurity workforce of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), which shall include information on:

- the readiness and capacity of such workforce to meet its cybersecurity mission;
- where cybersecurity workforce positions are located within DHS;
- which such positions are performed by permanent full-time equivalent DHS employees, by independent contractors, and by individuals employed by other federal agencies;
- which such positions are vacant;
- the percentage of individuals within each Cybersecurity Category and Specialty Area who received essential training to perform their jobs; and
- in cases in which such training was not received, what challenges were encountered regarding the provision of such training.

Directs the Secretary to develop, maintain, and update a comprehensive workforce strategy to enhance the readiness, capacity, training, recruitment, and retention of DHS's cybersecurity workforce, which shall include a description of:

- a multi-phased recruitment plan,
- a 5-year implementation plan,
- a 10-year projection of the cybersecurity workforce needs of DHS,
- any obstacle impeding the hiring and development of such workforce, and
- any gap in the existing DHS cybersecurity workforce and a plan to fill such gap.

Requires the Secretary to submit to the appropriate congressional committees: (1) annual updates on such assessment and on the Secretary's progress in carrying out such strategy; and (2) a report on the feasibility, cost, and benefits of establishing a Cybersecurity Fellowship Program to offer a tuition payment plan for individuals pursuing undergraduate and doctoral degrees who agree to work for DHS for an agreed-upon period.

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 18, 2014:** Signed by President.
- **Dec 18, 2014:** Became Public Law No: 113-246.
- **Dec 12, 2014:** Presented to President.
- **Dec 11, 2014:** Mr. Meehan moved that the House suspend the rules and agree to the Senate amendments. (consideration: CR H9060-9062)
- **Dec 11, 2014:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with 40 minutes of debate on the motion to suspend the rules and agree to the Senate amendments to H.R. 2952.
- **Dec 11, 2014:** Resolving differences -- House actions: On motion that the House suspend the rules and agree to the Senate amendments Agreed to by voice vote.(text as House agreed to Senate amendments: CR H9060)
- **Dec 11, 2014:** On motion that the House suspend the rules and agree to the Senate amendments Agreed to by voice vote. (text as House agreed to Senate amendments: CR H9060)
- **Dec 11, 2014:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Dec 10, 2014:** Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs discharged by Unanimous Consent.
- **Dec 10, 2014:** Measure laid before Senate by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR S6486-6487)
- **Dec 10, 2014:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment and an amendment to the Title by Voice Vote.
- **Dec 10, 2014:** Passed Senate with an amendment and an amendment to the Title by Voice Vote.
- **Dec 10, 2014:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Jul 29, 2014:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
- **Jul 28, 2014:** Mr. Meehan moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Jul 28, 2014:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H6922-6925)
- **Jul 28, 2014:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 2952.
- **Jul 28, 2014:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H6922-6923)
- **Jul 28, 2014:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H6922-6923)
- **Jul 28, 2014:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Jan 9, 2014:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Homeland Security. H. Rept. 113-324.
- **Jan 9, 2014:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 241.
- **Oct 29, 2013:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Oct 29, 2013:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **Sep 18, 2013:** Subcommittee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Sep 18, 2013:** Forwarded by Subcommittee to Full Committee (Amended) by Voice Vote .
- **Aug 9, 2013:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection, and Security Technologies.
- **Aug 1, 2013:** Introduced in House
- **Aug 1, 2013:** Referred to the House Committee on Homeland Security.