

HR 6004

MGT Act

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Sponsor

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Party: Republican • **State:** TX • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (7 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Chaffetz, Jason [R-UT-3]	R · UT		Sep 13, 2016
Rep. Connolly, Gerald E. [D-VA-11]	D · VA		Sep 13, 2016
Rep. Cummings, Elijah E. [D-MD-7]	D · MD		Sep 13, 2016
Rep. Kelly, Robin L. [D-IL-2]	D · IL		Sep 13, 2016
Rep. Lieu, Ted [D-CA-33]	D · CA		Sep 13, 2016
Rep. Hoyer, Steny H. [D-MD-5]	D · MD		Sep 14, 2016
Rep. McCarthy, Kevin [R-CA-23]	R · CA		Sep 14, 2016

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Appropriations Committee	House	Discharged From	Sep 22, 2016
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	Sep 26, 2016
Oversight and Government Reform Committee	House	Reported By	Sep 22, 2016

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 HR 5792	Related bill	Jul 14, 2016: Referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, and in addition to the Committee on Appropriations, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.
114 S 3263	Related bill	Jul 14, 2016: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
114 HR 4897	Related bill	Apr 11, 2016: Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

Modernizing Government Technology Act of 2016 or the MGT Act

(Sec. 3) This bill establishes in each covered agency (specified agencies for which there are Chief Financial Officers) an information technology system modernization and working capital fund which may be used for necessary expenses for the agency to:

- improve, retire, or replace existing information technology systems to improve efficiency and effectiveness;
- transition to cloud computing and innovative platforms and technologies;
- assist and support efforts to provide adequate, risk-based, and cost-effective information technology capabilities that address evolving threats to information security; and
- reimburse amounts transferred from the Information Technology Modernization Fund (ITMF) (established under this bill), with the approval of the agency's Chief Information Officer (CIO).

Deposits into such fund may include reprogrammed or transferred amounts available for the operation and maintenance of legacy information technology systems. Each agency shall prioritize amounts within such fund to be used initially for cost savings activities approved by the agency's Chief Information Officer. Amounts deposited into an IT working capital fund shall be available for obligation for three years after the date of such deposit.

Each agency, by one year after this Act's enactment and every six months thereafter, shall submit to the OMB a list of each information technology investment funded by, and a summary of the obligations, expenditures, and unused balances of, the agency's IT working capital fund. The OMB shall make such information publicly available on a website.

(Sec. 4) The bill establishes the ITMF for technology related activities, to improve information technology, and to enhance cybersecurity across the federal government. The ITMF shall be administered by the General Services Administration (GSA) in accordance with guidance established by, and with the concurrence of, the Office of Management and Budget (OMB).

The GSA shall:

- transfer amounts from the ITMF to an agency to improve, retire, or replace existing information technology systems to enhance cybersecurity and improve efficiency and effectiveness;
- use amounts in the ITMF for the development, operation, and procurement of information technology products, services, and acquisition vehicles for use by agencies to improve efficiency and cybersecurity; and
- use amounts in the ITMF to provide services or work performed in support of such activities.

An agency shall: (1) reimburse the ITMF for any such transfer, and (2) pay prices to be fixed by the GSA for such products or services the agency uses at levels sufficient to ensure the solvency of the ITMF. The GSA may obtain reimbursement by the issuance of transfer and counterwarrants if timely payment is not made by an agency.

The OMB shall publish on a public website and update quarterly a list of each project funded by the ITMF.

The bill establishes an Information Technology Modernization Board, which shall:

- evaluate proposals submitted by agencies for funding authorized under the ITMF;
- provide input to the OMB for the development of processes for agencies to submit modernization proposals to the board and to establish the criteria by which such proposals are evaluated;

make recommendations to the GSA to assist agencies in the further development and refinement of select proposals;

- review and prioritize such modernization proposals;
- identify opportunities to improve or replace multiple information technology systems with a smaller number of information technology systems common to multiple agencies;
- recommend the funding of modernization projects;
- monitor progress and performance in executing approved projects and, if necessary, recommend the suspension or termination of funding; and
- monitor operating costs of the ITMF.

The GSA shall support board activities and provide technical support to, and oversight of, agencies that receive transfers from the ITMF.

Actions Timeline

- **Sep 26, 2016:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
- **Sep 22, 2016:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. H. Rept. 114-783, Part I.
- **Sep 22, 2016:** Committee on Appropriations discharged.
- **Sep 22, 2016:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 611.
- **Sep 22, 2016:** Mr. Hurd (TX) moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Sep 22, 2016:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H5830-5833)
- **Sep 22, 2016:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 6004.
- **Sep 22, 2016:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H5830-5831)
- **Sep 22, 2016:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H5830-5831)
- **Sep 22, 2016:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Sep 15, 2016:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Sep 15, 2016:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **Sep 13, 2016:** Introduced in House
- **Sep 13, 2016:** Referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, and in addition to the Committee on Appropriations, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.