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Ukraine Cybersecurity Cooperation Act of 2017

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Rep. Quigley, Mike [D-IL-5]	D · IL		Dec 7, 2017
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Referred to	May 18, 2017
Foreign Relations Committee	Senate	Referred To	Feb 8, 2018

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 S 2455	Related bill	Feb 27, 2018: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

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(Sec. 3) This bill states that is U.S. policy to: (1) reaffirm the United States-Ukraine Charter on Strategic Partnership, which highlights the bilateral relationship's importance and outlines enhanced cooperation in defense, security, economics and trade, energy security, and democracy; (2) support continued cooperation between the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) and Ukraine; (3) support Ukraine's political and economic reforms; (4) reaffirm the commitment of the United States to the Budapest Memorandum on Security Assurances; (5) assist Ukraine's efforts to enhance its cybersecurity capabilities; and (6) improve Ukraine's ability to respond to Russian-supported disinformation and propaganda efforts in cyberspace, including through social media.

(Sec. 4) It is the sense of Congress that the Department of State should take the following actions, commensurate with U.S. interests, to help Ukraine improve its cybersecurity: (1) provide Ukraine necessary support to secure government computer networks from cyber intrusions, particularly networks that defend critical infrastructure; (2) provide Ukraine support to reduce reliance on Russian information and communications technology; and (3) help Ukraine build capacity, expand cybersecurity information sharing, and cooperate on international cyberspace efforts.

The State Department shall report to Congress on U.S.-Ukraine cybersecurity cooperation. Such report shall also include information on: (1) U.S. efforts to strengthen Ukraine's ability to prevent and respond to cyber incidents; (2) the potential for new areas of U.S.-Ukraine mutual assistance in addressing shared cyber challenges, including cyber crime, critical infrastructure protection, and resilience against botnets and other automated, distributed threats; and (3) NATO's efforts to help Ukraine develop technical capabilities to counter cyber threats.

Actions Timeline

- **Feb 8, 2018:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
- **Feb 7, 2018:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H966-967)
- **Feb 7, 2018:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by recorded vote (2/3 required): 404 - 3 (Roll no. 62). (text: CR 2/5/2018 H757-758)
- **Feb 7, 2018:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by recorded vote (2/3 required): 404 - 3 (Roll no. 62). (text: CR 2/5/2018 H757-758)
- **Feb 7, 2018:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Feb 5, 2018:** Mr. Royce (CA) moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Feb 5, 2018:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H757-760)
- **Feb 5, 2018:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 1997.
- **Feb 5, 2018:** At the conclusion of debate, the chair put the question on the motion to suspend the rules. Mr. Royce (CA) objected to the vote on the grounds that a quorum was not present. Further proceedings on the motion were postponed. The point of no quorum was considered as withdrawn.
- **Dec 14, 2017:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Dec 14, 2017:** Ordered to be Reported in the Nature of a Substitute (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **May 18, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Europe, Eurasia, and Emerging Threats.
- **Apr 6, 2017:** Introduced in House
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