

## S 770

### NIST Small Business Cybersecurity Act

**Congress:** 115 (2017–2019, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

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

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**Law:** 115-236 (Enacted Aug 14, 2018)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Schatz, Brian [D-HI]

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

### Cosponsors (9 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Cantwell, Maria [D-WA]	D · WA		Mar 29, 2017
Sen. Nelson, Bill [D-FL]	D · FL		Mar 29, 2017
Sen. Risch, James E. [R-ID]	R · ID		Mar 29, 2017
Sen. Thune, John [R-SD]	R · SD		Mar 29, 2017
Sen. Cortez Masto, Catherine [D-NV]	D · NV		Apr 4, 2017
Sen. Gardner, Cory [R-CO]	R · CO		Apr 4, 2017
Sen. Hassan, Margaret Wood [D-NH]	D · NH		Apr 5, 2017
Sen. Gillibrand, Kirsten E. [D-NY]	D · NY		May 3, 2017
Sen. McCaskill, Claire [D-MO]	D · MO		May 3, 2017

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Reported By	Sep 11, 2017
Small Business and Entrepreneurship Committee	Senate	Hearings By (full committee)	Apr 25, 2018

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Science, Technology, Communications

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 HR 2105	Related bill	<b>Oct 16, 2017:</b> Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

## NIST Small Business Cybersecurity Act

(Sec. 2) This bill amends the National Institute of Standards and Technology Act to require the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) to consider small businesses when it facilitates and supports the development of voluntary, consensus-based, industry-led guidelines and procedures to cost-effectively reduce cyber risks to critical infrastructure.

NIST must disseminate, and publish on its website, standard and method resources that small business may use voluntarily to help identify, assess, manage, and reduce their cybersecurity risks. The resources must be: (1) technology-neutral, (2) based on international standards to the extent possible, (3) able to vary with the nature and size of the implementing small business and the sensitivity of the data collected or stored on the information systems, and (4) consistent with the national cybersecurity awareness and education program under the Cybersecurity Enhancement Act of 2014. Additionally, the resources must include case studies of practical application.

Other federal agencies may also elect to publish the resources on their own websites.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Aug 14, 2018:** Signed by President.
- **Aug 14, 2018:** Became Public Law No: 115-236.
- **Aug 3, 2018:** Presented to President.
- **Aug 2, 2018:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Aug 1, 2018:** Resolving differences -- Senate actions: Senate agreed to the House amendments to S. 770 by Unanimous Consent.(text as Senate agree to the House amendment: CR S5561)
- **Aug 1, 2018:** Senate agreed to the House amendments to S. 770 by Unanimous Consent. (text as Senate agree to the House amendment: CR S5561)
- **Jul 26, 2018:** Message on House action received in Senate and at desk: House amendments to Senate bill.
- **Jul 25, 2018:** Mr. Webster (FL) asked unanimous consent to take from the Speaker's table and consider.
- **Jul 25, 2018:** Considered by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR H7201-7202)
- **Jul 25, 2018:** Passed/agreed to in House: On passage Passed without objection.(text: CR H7201)
- **Jul 25, 2018:** On passage Passed without objection. (text: CR H7201)
- **Jul 25, 2018:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Jul 25, 2018:** The title of the measure was amended. Agreed to without objection.
- **Apr 25, 2018:** Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 115-300.
- **Oct 2, 2017:** Received in the House.
- **Oct 2, 2017:** Held at the desk.
- **Sep 29, 2017:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Sep 28, 2017:** Measure laid before Senate by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR S6232-6233)
- **Sep 28, 2017:** The committee substitute as amended agreed to by Unanimous Consent.
- **Sep 28, 2017:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.(text: CR S6233)
- **Sep 28, 2017:** Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent. (text: CR S6233)
- **Sep 11, 2017:** Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Reported by Senator Thune with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. With written report No. 115-153.
- **Sep 11, 2017:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 217.
- **Apr 5, 2017:** Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.
- **Mar 29, 2017:** Introduced in Senate
- **Mar 29, 2017:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.