

HR 5823

State and Local Cybersecurity Improvement Act

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Committee Activity

| Committee | Chamber | Activity | Date |
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| Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee | Senate | Referred To | Oct 1, 2020 |
| Homeland Security Committee | House | Reported By | Aug 18, 2020 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Science, Technology, Communications

Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
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| 116 HR 8048 | Related bill | Sep 24, 2020: Referred to the Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Recovery. |

Summary (as of Sep 30, 2020)

State and Local Cybersecurity Improvement Act

This bill establishes a grant program and places requirements on the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) with respect to certain cybersecurity risks and threats.

Specifically, CISA shall distribute grants to states for addressing cybersecurity risks and threats to the information systems of state, local, tribal, or territorial governments. A state applying for such a grant must (1) submit a cybersecurity plan for approval, and (2) establish a cybersecurity planning committee to assist with developing and implementing the state's cybersecurity plan and determining the effective funding priorities for the grant.

CISA must establish a State and Local Cybersecurity Resiliency Committee whereby state, local, tribal, and territorial governments can advise CISA on their cybersecurity needs. In addition, CISA must develop and make publicly available a Homeland Security Strategy to Improve the Cybersecurity of State, Local, Tribal, and Territorial Governments that provides recommendations regarding how the federal government should support and promote the ability of such governments to protect against, respond to, and recover from cybersecurity risks, threats, and incidents. Further, CISA must develop a resource guide to assist officials of such governments with cybersecurity risks, threats, and incidents.

CISA must also conduct a study to assess the feasibility of implementing a short-term rotational program for the detail of approved state, local, tribal, and territorial government employees in cyber workforce positions to the agency.

Actions Timeline

- **Oct 1, 2020:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
- **Sep 30, 2020:** Ms. Underwood moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Sep 30, 2020:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H5080-5084)
- **Sep 30, 2020:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 5823.
- **Sep 30, 2020:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote.
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- **Sep 30, 2020:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Aug 18, 2020:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Homeland Security. H. Rept. 116-478.
- **Aug 18, 2020:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 384.
- **Feb 12, 2020:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Feb 12, 2020:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended).
- **Feb 10, 2020:** Introduced in House
- **Feb 10, 2020:** Referred to the House Committee on Homeland Security.