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Satellite Cybersecurity Act

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Peters, Gary C. [D-MI]

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

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Cornyn, John [R-TX]	R - TX		Jan 13, 2022

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee	Senate	Reported By	Jun 21, 2022

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HR 7629	Related bill	Apr 29, 2022: Referred to the Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection, and Innovation.

Satellite Cybersecurity Act

This bill addresses cybersecurity matters related to commercial satellite systems.

Specifically, the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) must maintain a publicly available clearinghouse of resources concerning the cybersecurity of commercial satellite systems. CISA must also consolidate voluntary recommendations for the development, maintenance, and operation of such systems. The recommendations must include measures to protect systems against cyber-related vulnerabilities, risks, and attacks. To the extent practicable, CISA must implement its activities as a public-private partnership.

The bill also requires the Government Accountability Office (GAO) to study and report on (1) federal actions to support the cybersecurity of commercial satellite systems, including with respect to critical infrastructure sectors; and (2) federal reliance on such systems, including those owned or controlled by foreign entities. In carrying out its study and report, the GAO must coordinate with designated federal agencies.

Actions Timeline

- **Jun 21, 2022:** Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Reported by Senator Peters with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. With written report No. 117-122.
- **Jun 21, 2022:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 428.
- **Mar 30, 2022:** Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.
- **Jan 13, 2022:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jan 13, 2022:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.