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### SECURE IT Act

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**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Government Operations and Politics

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**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration. (May 9, 2023)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/118th-congress/senate-bill/1500>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Warner, Mark R. [D-VA]

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

### Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Collins, Susan M. [R-ME]	R · ME		May 9, 2023

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Rules and Administration Committee	Senate	Referred To	May 9, 2023

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Government Operations and Politics

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
118 S 4443	Related bill	Jun 12, 2024: By Senator Warner from Select Committee on Intelligence filed written report. Report No. 118-181. Additional views filed.
118 HR 7447	Related bill	Feb 23, 2024: Referred to the Committee on House Administration, and in addition to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, 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.
118 HR 2670	Related bill	Dec 22, 2023: Became Public Law No: 118-31.
118 S 2226	Related bill	Jul 27, 2023: Senate ordered measure printed as passed.
118 S 2103	Related bill	Jul 13, 2023: By Senator Warner from Select Committee on Intelligence filed written report. Report No. 118-59. Additional views filed.

## **Strengthening Election Cybersecurity to Uphold Respect for Elections through Independent Testing Act or the SECURE IT Act**

This bill requires certain actions to strengthen the security of U.S. voting systems.

Specifically, the bill requires the Election Assistance Commission (EAC) to conduct penetration testing (an evaluation method that enables researchers to search for vulnerabilities in a system) as part of the testing, certification, decertification, and recertification of voting system hardware and software by accredited laboratories.

Further, the National Institute of Standards and Technology must recommend entities to the EAC to carry out this penetration testing and the EAC must vote on the accreditation of any recommended entity.

The bill also directs the EAC to create a five-year pilot program for participating cybersecurity researchers to test for and disclose cybersecurity vulnerabilities in election systems.

### **Actions Timeline**

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