

HR 4502

Modernizing the Acquisition of Cybersecurity Experts Act of 2023

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Mace, Nancy [R-SC-1]

Party: Republican • **State:** SC • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Porter, Katie [D-CA-47]	D · CA		Jul 10, 2023

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	Oct 3, 2023
Oversight and Government Reform Committee	House	Markup By	Jul 12, 2023

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

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This bill modifies educational requirements for cybersecurity positions in the federal government.

Specifically, the bill prohibits federal agencies from establishing minimum educational requirements for cybersecurity positions unless such requirements are mandated by law for the position in the state or locality in which the work is to be performed. Agencies may also only consider an applicant's education in conjunction with other minimum qualifications for a position if the applicant's education directly reflects the required competencies for the position.

The bill applies to positions in the competitive service that are classified under the Information Technology Management Series or any other position that is designated as a cybersecurity position under the National Initiative for Cybersecurity Education (NICE) Cybersecurity Workforce Framework.

The Office of Personnel Management must annually publish on its website (1) any changes to minimum qualifications relating to education for these positions, and (2) data on the level of education of those occupying these positions.

Actions Timeline

- **Oct 3, 2023:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
- **Oct 2, 2023:** Mr. Comer moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Oct 2, 2023:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H4944-4946)
- **Oct 2, 2023:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 4502.
- **Oct 2, 2023:** At the conclusion of debate, the Yeas and Nays were demanded and ordered. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 8, rule XX, the Chair announced that further proceedings on the motion would be postponed.
- **Oct 2, 2023:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H4947-4948)
- **Oct 2, 2023:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 394 - 1 (Roll no. 515). (text: CR H4944)
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- **Oct 2, 2023:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Oct 2, 2023:** The title of the measure was amended. Agreed to without objection.
- **Jul 12, 2023:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held
- **Jul 12, 2023:** Ordered to be Reported in the Nature of a Substitute (Amended) by the Yeas and Nays: 40 - 0.
- **Jul 10, 2023:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 10, 2023:** Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Accountability.