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Strengthening Agency Management and Oversight of Software Assets Act

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Sponsor

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Sen. Ernst, Joni [R-IA]	R · IA		Mar 22, 2023
Sen. Hagerty, Bill [R-TN]	R · TN		Mar 22, 2023
Sen. Hickenlooper, John W. [D-CO]	D · CO		Mar 22, 2023
Sen. Tillis, Thomas [R-NC]	R · NC		Mar 22, 2023
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee	Senate	Reported By	Jul 25, 2023

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
118 HR 1695	Identical bill	Dec 5, 2024: Received in the Senate. Read twice. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 666.

Strengthening Agency Management and Oversight of Software Assets Act

This bill addresses software asset management practices by federal agencies.

The bill requires each agency to complete a comprehensive assessment of the software entitlements and software inventories of the agency and submit the assessment to the head of the agency, the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), the General Services Administration, the Government Accountability Office (GAO), and Congress.

Each agency must use the information developed pursuant to the assessment to develop a plan for the agency to (1) consolidate software licenses of the agency; and (2) adopt enterprise license agreements across the agency by type or category of software in order to improve the performance of, and reduce unnecessary costs across, the agency.

The OMB must submit to Congress a strategy that includes

- proposals to support the adoption of governmentwide enterprise licenses for software entitlements identified through the assessments and plans;
- opportunities to leverage government procurement policies and practices to increase interoperability of software entitlements acquired and deployed to reduce costs and improve performance;
- the incorporation of data on spending by agencies on, the performance of, and management by agencies of software entitlements as part of certain required information; and
- where applicable, directions to agencies to examine options and relevant criteria for transitioning to open-source software.

The GAO must report on governmentwide trends, comparisons among agencies, and other analyses of plans and strategy.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 25, 2023:** Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Reported by Senator Peters with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. With written report No. 118-73.
- **Jul 25, 2023:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 156.
- **May 17, 2023:** Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.
- **Mar 22, 2023:** Introduced in Senate
- **Mar 22, 2023:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.