

General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 709

January Session, 2019

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO STUDY CYBERSECURITY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) (a) There is established a task force
 to study cybersecurity. The task force shall develop a strategic plan
 that includes findings and recommendations on:

4 (1) Establishing a structure for oversight and coordination of 5 cybersecurity efforts among state agencies, boards, commissions and 6 other entities, including the constituent units of the state system of 7 higher education as defined in section 10a-1 of the general statutes;

8 (2) Critical information technology infrastructure needs;

9 (3) Maximizing state coordination with and assistance to 10 municipalities and other political subdivisions of the state on 11 cybersecurity efforts, and maximizing coordination and assistance 12 among municipalities and other political subdivisions of the state;

(4) Maximizing interaction and coordination with federal
government agencies, including the United States Department of
Homeland Security;

16 (5) Appropriate information sharing between federal, state and local

17 agencies;

(6) Coordination of cybersecurity initiatives with other states andthe federal government;

(7) Collaboration with the private sector to facilitate cybersecurity
efforts, including efforts related to corporate espionage, protection of
trade secrets and data privacy; and

(8) Promoting personal computer, mobile data and application
security for persons throughout the state, including promoting public
awareness of cybersecurity issues.

26 (b) The task force shall consist of the following members:

(1) Two appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives,
one of whom has expertise in cybersecurity in the financial, defense,
public utility or health care industry;

30 (2) Two appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate, one
31 of whom has expertise in cybersecurity investigations as a member of a
32 law enforcement unit;

(3) One appointed by the majority leader of the House of
Representatives, who represents a municipality having a population of
less than sixty thousand persons and has expertise in municipal
cybersecurity issues;

(4) One appointed by the majority leader of the Senate, who
represents a municipality having a population of sixty thousand or
more persons and who has expertise in municipal cybersecurity issues;

40 (5) One appointed by the minority leader of the House of 41 Representatives;

42 (6) One appointed by the minority leader of the Senate;

43 (7) The Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection,

44 or the commissioner's designee;

45 (8) The Commissioner of Administrative Services, or the 46 commissioner's designee;

47 (9) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development,48 or the commissioner's designee; and

49 (10) Three persons appointed by the Governor.

(c) Any member of the task force appointed under subdivision (1),
(2), (3), (4), (5) or (6) of subsection (b) of this section may be a member
of the General Assembly.

(d) All appointments to the task force shall be made not later than
thirty days after the effective date of this section. Any vacancy shall be
filled by the appointing authority.

(e) The speaker of the House of Representatives and the president
pro tempore of the Senate shall select the chairpersons of the task force
from among the members of the task force. Such chairpersons shall
schedule the first meeting of the task force, which shall be held not
later than sixty days after the effective date of this section.

(f) The task force may consult with any individual or organizationas the chairpersons deem appropriate.

(g) The administrative staff of the joint standing committee of the
General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to public
safety and security shall serve as administrative staff of the task force.

66 (h) Not later than January 15, 2020, the task force shall submit a 67 report on its findings and recommendations to the joint standing 68 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters 69 relating to public safety and security, in accordance with the 70 provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes. The task force shall 71 terminate on the date that it submits such report or January 15, 2020, 72 whichever is later.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	from passage	New section

PS Joint Favorable Subst.