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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. MCHENRY introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Financial Services

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## A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Cybersecurity and Fi-  
5 nancial System Resilience Act of 2019”.

6 **SEC. 2. CYBERSECURITY REPORT.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than the end of the 180-  
8 day period beginning on the date of enactment of this Act,

1 and annually thereafter, the Board of Governors of the  
2 Federal Reserve System shall submit a report to the Com-  
3 mittee on Financial Services of the House of Representa-  
4 tives and the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban  
5 Affairs of the Senate that provides a detailed explanation  
6 on measures taken by the Board of Governors and the  
7 Federal reserve banks to strengthen cybersecurity with re-  
8 spect to the functions of the Federal Reserve System, in-  
9 cluding the supervision and regulation of financial institu-  
10 tions. Each such report shall specifically include a detailed  
11 explanation of—

12 (1) policies and procedures that guard  
13 against—

14 (A) efforts to deny access to or degrade,  
15 disrupt, or destroy any information and com-  
16 munications technology system or network, or  
17 exfiltrate information from such a system or  
18 network without authorization;

19 (B) destructive malware attacks;

20 (C) denial of service activities; and

21 (D) any other efforts that, in the deter-  
22 mination of the Board, may threaten the func-  
23 tions of the Federal Reserve System by under-  
24 mining cybersecurity; and

1           (2) activities to ensure the effective implemen-  
2           tation of policies and procedures described under  
3           paragraph (1), including—

4                   (A) the appointment of qualified staff, the  
5                   provision of staff training, and the use of ac-  
6                   countability measures to support staff perform-  
7                   ance;

8                   (B) deployment of adequate resources and  
9                   technologies;

10                  (C) the development and dissemination of  
11                  best practices regarding cybersecurity; and

12                  (D) as appropriate, efforts to strengthen  
13                  cybersecurity in coordination with departments  
14                  and agencies of the Federal Government, for-  
15                  eign central banks, and other partners.

16           (b) FORM OF REPORT.—The report required under  
17           subsection (a) shall be submitted in unclassified form, but  
18           may include a classified annex, if appropriate.

19           (c) CONGRESSIONAL BRIEFING.—The Chairman of  
20           the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System,  
21           or a member of the Board of Governors (as designated  
22           by the Chairman), shall provide a detailed briefing to the  
23           appropriate Members of Congress on each report sub-  
24           mitted pursuant to subsection (a).

1 (d) APPROPRIATE MEMBERS OF CONGRESS DE-  
2 FINED.—For the purposes of this Act, the term “appro-  
3 priate Members of Congress” means the following:

4 (1) The Chairman and Ranking Member of the  
5 Committee on Financial Services of the House of  
6 Representatives.

7 (2) The Chairman and Ranking Member of the  
8 Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs  
9 of the Senate.

10 (e) SUNSET.—The provisions of this Act shall have  
11 no force or effect on or after the date that is 7 years after  
12 the date of enactment of this Act.

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