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H. R. 6190

To provide for cybersecurity prioritization in formation technology procurement.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. KEAN of New Jersey introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

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. CYBERSECURITY PRIORITIZATION IN INFOR-**
4 **MATION TECHNOLOGY PROCUREMENT.**

5 (a) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Con-
6 gress that—

7 (1) the Department has not sufficiently empha-
8 sized cybersecurity in its operations or in its pro-
9 curement of information technology, and that these

1 shortcomings have contributed to numerous cyberse-
2 curity incidents at the Department; and

3 (2) the Department should prioritize, to the
4 highest level and to a greater extent than it already
5 does, the minimization of cybersecurity risks in its
6 procurement of information technology.

7 (b) ANNUAL REPORT.—The Chief Information Offi-
8 cer in the Bureau of Information Resources Management
9 shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees
10 an annual report that—

11 (1) describes all Department information tech-
12 nology procurement contracts awarded in the year
13 prior to the issuance of the report, including the
14 name of the awardee and the information technology
15 they were contracted to procure;

16 (2) for all Department information technology
17 procurement contracts awarded in the year prior to
18 the issuance of the report with contract price exceed-
19 ing \$10 million—

20 (A) details the cybersecurity risks which
21 have been or will be created by the information
22 technology procured or intended to be procured
23 under the contract, including the Department’s
24 strategy for mitigating these risks;

1 (B) justifies the Department’s choice to
2 award the contract to its particular awardee in
3 light of those cybersecurity risks; and

4 (C) justifies the Department’s choice to
5 procure such information technology in light of
6 those cybersecurity risks.

7 (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section—

8 (1) the term “appropriate congressional com-
9 mittees” means—

10 (A) the Committee on Foreign Affairs of
11 the House of Representatives; and

12 (B) the Committee on Foreign Relations of
13 the Senate;

14 (2) the term “cybersecurity incident” has the
15 meaning given the term “incident” in section 3552
16 of title 44, United States Code;

17 (3) the term “cybersecurity risk” has the mean-
18 ing given that term in section 2200 of the Homeland
19 Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 650), except that
20 such term refers exclusively to cybersecurity risks to
21 the Department’s information and information sys-
22 tems;

23 (4) the term “Department” means the Depart-
24 ment of State;

1 (5) the term “information system” has the
2 meaning given that term in section 3502 of title 44,
3 United States Code; and

4 (6) the term “information technology” has the
5 meaning given that term in section 11101 of title
6 40, United States Code.

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