

117TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

H. R. 9228

To amend the Public Health Service Act with respect to the information security policies and practices of the National Institutes of Health, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 25, 2022

Mr. GRIFFITH introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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 “Ensuring Cybersecu-
5 rity at the NIH Act of 2022”.

6 **SEC. 2. NIH INFORMATION SECURITY POLICIES AND PRAC-**
7 **TICES.**

8 Section 402(b) of the Public Health Service Act (42
9 U.S.C. 282(b)) is amended—

1 (1) in paragraph (24), by striking “and” at the
2 end;

3 (2) in paragraph (25), by striking the period at
4 the end and inserting “; and”; and

5 (3) by adding at the end the following:

6 “(26) shall, in consultation with the Office of
7 the Chief Information Officer, oversee information
8 security policies and practices of the National Insti-
9 tutes of Health, including—

10 “(A) developing and overseeing the imple-
11 mentation of policies, principles, standards, and
12 guidelines on information security, including
13 through ensuring timely adoption of and com-
14 pliance with standards promulgated under sec-
15 tion 11331 of title 40, United States Code, in-
16 cluding—

17 “(i) developing and reporting a com-
18 plete inventory of all major information
19 systems;

20 “(ii) fully developing a risk manage-
21 ment strategy and assessing risks for re-
22 viewed systems;

23 “(iii) fully developing and docu-
24 menting system security plans; and

1 “(iv) consistently authorizing systems
2 based on defined system boundaries; and

3 “(B) identifying and providing information
4 security protections commensurate with the risk
5 and magnitude of the harm that could result
6 from the unauthorized access, use, disclosure,
7 disruptions, modification, or destruction of—

8 “(i) information collected or main-
9 tained by or on behalf of the National In-
10 stitutes of Health;

11 “(ii) information systems used or op-
12 erated by the National Institutes of Health
13 or by a contractor of the agency or other
14 organization on behalf of the agency; and

15 “(iii) coordinating information secu-
16 rity policies and procedures with related
17 information resources management policies
18 and procedures.”.

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