Purpose: To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to provide for innovative research and development, and for other purposes.


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To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to make certain improvements in the laws administered by the Secretary of Homeland Security, and for other purposes.

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AMENDMENT intended to be proposed by Mr. Daines

Viz:

1 At the appropriate place, insert the following:

2 SEC. __. CYBERSECURITY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS.

3 (a) Cybersecurity Research and Development.—

4 (1) In general.—Title III of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 181 et seq.), as amended by section 1601(g) of this Act, is amended by adding at the end the following:
“SEC. 321. CYBERSECURITY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT.

“(a) IN GENERAL.—The Under Secretary for Science and Technology shall support the research, development, testing, evaluation, and transition of cybersecurity technologies, including fundamental research to improve the sharing of information, information security, analytics, and methodologies related to cybersecurity risks and incidents, consistent with current law.

“(b) ACTIVITIES.—The research and development supported under subsection (a) shall serve the components of the Department and shall—

“(1) advance the development and accelerate the deployment of more secure information systems;

“(2) improve and create technologies for detecting and preventing attacks or intrusions, including real-time continuous diagnostics, real-time analytic technologies, and full life cycle information protection;

“(3) improve and create mitigation and recovery methodologies, including techniques and policies for real-time containment of attacks and development of resilient networks and information systems;

“(4) assist the development and support infrastructure and tools to support cybersecurity research and development efforts, including modeling,
testbeds, and data sets for assessment of new cyber-
security technologies;

“(5) assist the development and support of
technologies to reduce vulnerabilities in industrial
control systems;

“(6) assist the development and support cyber
forensics and attack attribution capabilities;

“(7) assist the development and accelerate the
deployment of full information life cycle security
technologies to enhance protection, control, and pri-

vacy of information to detect and prevent cybersecu-

rity risks and incidents;

“(8) assist the development and accelerate the
deployment of information security measures, in ad-
dition to perimeter-based protections;

“(9) assist the development and accelerate the
deployment of technologies to detect improper infor-
mation access by authorized users;

“(10) assist the development and accelerate the
deployment of cryptographic technologies to protect
information at rest, in transit, and in use;

“(11) assist the development and accelerate the
deployment of methods to promote greater software
assurance;
“(12) assist the development and accelerate the deployment of tools to securely and automatically update software and firmware in use, with limited or no necessary intervention by users and limited impact on concurrently operating systems and processes; and

“(13) assist in identifying and addressing unidentified or future cybersecurity threats.

“(e) COORDINATION.—In carrying out this section, the Under Secretary for Science and Technology shall coordinate activities with—

“(1) the Director of Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security;

“(2) the heads of other relevant Federal departments and agencies, as appropriate; and

“(3) industry and academia.

“(d) TRANSITION TO PRACTICE.—The Under Secretary for Science and Technology shall—

“(1) support projects carried out under this title through the full life cycle of such projects, including research, development, testing, evaluation, pilots, and transitions;

“(2) identify mature technologies that address existing or imminent cybersecurity gaps in public or private information systems and networks of infor-
mation systems, protect sensitive information within
and outside networks of information systems, iden-
tify and support necessary improvements identified
during pilot programs and testing and evaluation ac-
tivities, and introduce new cybersecurity technologies
throughout the homeland security enterprise through
partnerships and commercialization; and

“(3) target federally funded cybersecurity re-
search that demonstrates a high probability of suc-
cessful transition to the commercial market within 2
years and that is expected to have a notable impact
on the public or private information systems and
networks of information systems.

“(e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

“(1) CYBERSECURITY RISK.—The term ‘cyber-
security risk’ has the meaning given the term in sec-
tion 2209.

“(2) HOMELAND SECURITY ENTERPRISE.—The
term ‘homeland security enterprise’ means relevant
governmental and nongovernmental entities involved
in homeland security, including Federal, State, local,
and tribal government officials, private sector rep-
resentatives, academics, and other policy experts.

“(3) INCIDENT.—The term ‘incident’ has the
meaning given the term in section 2209.
“(4) INFORMATION SYSTEM.—The term ‘information system’ has the meaning given the term in section 3502 of title 44, United States Code.

“(5) SOFTWARE ASSURANCE.—The term ‘software assurance’ means confidence that software—

“(A) is free from vulnerabilities, either intentionally designed into the software or accidentally inserted at any time during the life cycle of the software; and

“(B) functioning in the intended manner.”.

(2) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of contents in section 1(b) of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (Public Law 107–296; 116 Stat. 2135), as amended by this Act, is amended by inserting after the item relating to section 320 the following:

“Sec. 321. Cybersecurity research and development.”.

(b) RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS.—Section 831 of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 391) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a)—

(A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1), by striking “2017” and inserting “2022”; and

(B) in paragraph (2), by striking “under section 845 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1994 (Public Law 103–160). In applying the authorities of that
section 845, subsection (c) of that section shall apply with respect to prototype projects under this paragraph, and the Secretary shall perform the functions of the Secretary of Defense under subsection (d) thereof” and inserting “under section 2371b of title 10, United States Code, and the Secretary shall perform the functions of the Secretary of Defense as prescribed.”;

(2) in subsection (c)—

(A) in paragraph (1), in the matter preceding subparagraph (A), by striking “2017” and inserting “2022”; and

(B) by amending paragraph (2) to read as follows:

“(2) REPORT.—The Secretary shall annually submit to the Committee on Homeland Security and the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs of the Senate a report detailing the projects for which the authority granted by subsection (a) was utilized, the rationale for such utilizations, the funds spent utilizing such authority, the extent of cost-sharing for such projects among Federal and non-Federal sources, the extent to which utilization of such au-
authority has addressed a homeland security capability
gap or threat to the homeland identified by the De-
partment, the total amount of payments, if any, that
were received by the Federal Government as a result
of the utilization of such authority during the period
covered by each such report, the outcome of each
project for which such authority was utilized, and
the results of any audits of such projects.”;

(3) in subsection (d), by striking “as defined in
section 845(e) of the National Defense Authorization
Act for Fiscal Year 1994 (Public Law 103–160; 10
U.S.C. 2371 note)” and inserting “as defined in sec-
tion 2371b(e) of title 10, United States Code.”; and

(4) by adding at the end the following:

“(e) TRAINING.—The Secretary shall develop a train-
ing program for acquisitions staff on the utilization of the
authority provided under subsection (a) to ensure account-
ability and effective management of projects consistent
with the Program Management Improvement Account-
ability Act (Public Law 114–264) and the amendments
made by such Act.”.

(c) NO ADDITIONAL FUNDS AUTHORIZED.—No addi-
tional funds are authorized to carry out the requirements
of this section and the amendments made by this section.
Such requirements shall be carried out using amounts otherwise authorized.