

AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_ Calendar No. \_\_\_\_\_

Purpose: In the nature of a substitute.

**IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES—117th Cong., 2d Sess.**

**S. 3904**

To enhance the cybersecurity of the Healthcare and Public Health Sector.

Referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_ and ordered to be printed

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AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE intended to be proposed by Ms. ROSEN

Viz:

1 Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:  
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3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Healthcare Cybersecurity Act of 2022”.  
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6 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

7 In this Act—

8 (1) the term “Agency” means the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency;  
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10 (2) the term “Cybersecurity State Coordinator”  
11 means a Cybersecurity State Coordinator appointed

1 under section 2217(a) of the Homeland Security Act  
2 of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 665c(a));

3 (3) the term “Department” means the Depart-  
4 ment of Health and Human Services;

5 (4) the term “Director” means the Director of  
6 the Agency;

7 (5) the term “Healthcare and Public Health  
8 Sector” means the Healthcare and Public Health  
9 sector, as identified in Presidential Policy Directive  
10 21 (February 12, 2013; relating to critical infra-  
11 structure security and resilience);

12 (6) the term “Information Sharing and Anal-  
13 ysis Organizations” has the meaning given that term  
14 in section 2222 of the Homeland Security Act of  
15 2002 (6 U.S.C. 671); and

16 (7) the term “Secretary” means the Secretary  
17 of Health and Human Services.

18 **SEC. 3. FINDINGS.**

19 Congress finds the following:

20 (1) Healthcare and Public Health Sector assets  
21 are increasingly the targets of malicious  
22 cyberattacks, which result not only in data breaches,  
23 but also increased healthcare delivery costs, and can  
24 ultimately affect patient health outcomes.

1           (2) Data reported to the Department shows  
2           that almost every month in 2020, more than  
3           1,000,000 people were affected by data breaches at  
4           healthcare organizations. Cyberattacks on healthcare  
5           facilities rose 55 percent in 2020, and these attacks  
6           also resulted in a 16 percent increase in the average  
7           cost of recovering a patient record in 2020, as com-  
8           pared to 2019.

9           (3) According to data from the Office for Civil  
10          Rights of the Department, health information  
11          breaches have increased since 2016, and in 2020  
12          alone, the Department reported 663 breaches on  
13          covered entities, as defined under the Health Insur-  
14          ance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996  
15          (Public Law 104–191), affecting more than 500 peo-  
16          ple, with over 33,000,000 total people affected by  
17          health information breaches.

18 **SEC. 4. AGENCY COORDINATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT.**

19          (a) IN GENERAL.—The Agency and the Department  
20          shall coordinate, including by entering into an agreement,  
21          as appropriate, to improve cybersecurity in the Healthcare  
22          and Public Health Sector.

23          (b) ASSISTANCE.—

24                 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Agency shall coordinate  
25          with and make resources available to Information

1 Sharing and Analysis Organizations, information  
2 sharing and analysis centers, and non-Federal enti-  
3 ties that are receiving information shared through  
4 programs managed by the Department.

5 (2) SCOPE.—The coordination under paragraph  
6 (1) shall include—

7 (A) developing products specific to the  
8 needs of Healthcare and Public Health Sector  
9 entities; and

10 (B) sharing information relating to cyber  
11 threat indicators and appropriate defensive  
12 measures.

13 **SEC. 5. TRAINING FOR HEALTHCARE EXPERTS.**

14 The Secretary, in coordination with the Cyber Secu-  
15 rity Advisors and Cybersecurity State Coordinators of the  
16 Agency and private sector healthcare experts, as appro-  
17 priate, shall provide training to Healthcare and Public  
18 Health Sector asset owners and operators on—

19 (1) cybersecurity risks to the Healthcare and  
20 Public Health Sector and assets within the sector;  
21 and

22 (2) ways to mitigate the risks to information  
23 systems in the Healthcare and Public Health Sector.

1 **SEC. 6. SECTOR-SPECIFIC PLAN.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after the  
3 date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary, in coordina-  
4 tion with the Director, shall update the Healthcare and  
5 Public Health Sector Specific Plan (referred to in this sec-  
6 tion as the “Plan”), which shall include the following ele-  
7 ments:

8 (1) An analysis of how identified cybersecurity  
9 risks specifically impact Healthcare and Public  
10 Health Sector assets, including the impact on rural  
11 and small and medium-sized Healthcare and Public  
12 Health Sector assets.

13 (2) An evaluation of the challenges Healthcare  
14 and Public Health Sector assets face in—

15 (A) securing—

16 (i) updated information systems  
17 owned, leased, or relied upon by  
18 Healthcare and Public Health Sector as-  
19 sets;

20 (ii) medical devices or equipment  
21 owned, leased, or relied upon by  
22 Healthcare and Public Health Sector as-  
23 sets, which shall include an analysis of the  
24 threat landscape and cybersecurity  
25 vulnerabilities of such medical devices or  
26 equipment; and

1 (iii) sensitive patient health informa-  
2 tion and electronic health records;

3 (B) implementing cybersecurity protocols;  
4 and

5 (C) responding to data breaches or cyber-  
6 security attacks, including the impact on pa-  
7 tient access to care, quality of patient care,  
8 timeliness of health care delivery, and health  
9 outcomes.

10 (3) An evaluation of best practices for the de-  
11 ployment of trained Cyber Security Advisors and Cy-  
12 bersecurity State Coordinators of the Agency into  
13 Healthcare and Public Health Sector assets before,  
14 during, and after data breaches or cybersecurity at-  
15 tacks.

16 (4) An assessment of relevant Healthcare and  
17 Public Health Sector cybersecurity workforce short-  
18 ages, including—

19 (A) training, recruitment, and retention  
20 issues; and

21 (B) recommendations for how to address  
22 these shortages and issues, particularly at rural  
23 and small and medium-sized Healthcare and  
24 Public Health Sector assets.

1           (5) An identification of cybersecurity challenges  
2           related to or brought on by the public health emer-  
3           gency declared by the Secretary under section 319  
4           of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 247d)  
5           on January 27, 2020, with respect to COVID–19.

6           (6) An evaluation of the most accessible and  
7           timely ways for the Agency and the Department to  
8           communicate and deploy cybersecurity recommenda-  
9           tions and tools to Healthcare and Public Health Sec-  
10          tor assets.

11          (b) CONGRESSIONAL BRIEFING.—Not later than 120  
12          days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Sec-  
13          retary, in consultation with the Director, shall provide a  
14          briefing on the updating of the Plan under subsection (a)  
15          to—

16                 (1) the Committee on Health, Education,  
17                 Labor, and Pensions and the Committee on Home-  
18                 land Security and Governmental Affairs of the Sen-  
19                 ate; and

20                 (2) the Committee on Energy and Commerce  
21                 and the Committee on Homeland Security of the  
22                 House of Representatives.