

1 Title: To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to protect United States critical
2 infrastructure by ensuring that the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency has the legal
3 tools it needs to notify private and public sector entities put at risk by cybersecurity
4 vulnerabilities in the networks and systems that control critical assets of the United States.
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7 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in
8 Congress assembled,

9 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

10 This Act may be cited as the “Cybersecurity Vulnerability Identification and Notification Act
11 of 2019”.

12 SEC. 2. SUBPOENA AUTHORITY.

13 (a) In General.—Section 2209 of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 659) is
14 amended—

15 (1) in subsection (a)—

16 (A) by redesignating paragraph (6) as paragraph (7); and

17 (B) by inserting after paragraph (5) the following:

18 “(6) the term ‘security vulnerability’ has the meaning given that term in section 102(17)
19 of the Cybersecurity Information Sharing Act of 2015 (6 U.S.C. 1501(17));”;

20 (2) in subsection (c)—

21 (A) in paragraph (10), by striking “and” at the end;

22 (B) in paragraph (11), by striking the period at the end and inserting “; and”; and

23 (C) by adding at the end the following:

24 “(12) detecting, identifying, and receiving information about security vulnerabilities
25 relating to critical infrastructure in the information systems and devices of Federal and non-
26 Federal entities for a cybersecurity purpose, as defined in section 102 of the Cybersecurity
27 Information Sharing Act of 2015 (6 U.S.C. 1501).”; and

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

29 “(n) Subpoena Authority.—

30 “(1) DEFINITION.—In this subsection, the term ‘enterprise device or system’—

31 “(A) means a device or system commonly used to perform industrial, commercial,
32 scientific, or governmental functions or processes that relate to critical infrastructure,
33 including operational and industrial control systems, distributed control systems, and
34 programmable logic controllers; and

35 “(B) does not include personal devices and systems, such as consumer mobile
36 devices, home computers, residential wireless routers, or residential Internet enabled
37 consumer devices.

1 “(2) AUTHORITY.—

2 “(A) IN GENERAL.—If the Director identifies a system connected to the internet with
3 a specific security vulnerability and has reason to believe that the security vulnerability
4 relates to critical infrastructure and affects an enterprise device or system owned or
5 operated by a Federal or non-Federal entity, and the Director is unable to identify the
6 entity at risk, the Director may issue a subpoena for the production of information
7 necessary to identify and notify the entity at risk, in order to carry out a function
8 authorized under subsection (c)(12).

9 “(B) LIMIT ON INFORMATION.—A subpoena issued under the authority under
10 subparagraph (A) may only seek information in the categories set forth in
11 subparagraphs (A), (B), (D), and (E) of section 2703(c)(2) of title 18, United States
12 Code.

13 “(C) LIABILITY PROTECTIONS FOR DISCLOSING PROVIDERS.—The provisions of
14 section 2703(e) of title 18, United States Code, shall apply to any subpoena issued
15 under the authority under subparagraph (A).

16 “(3) COORDINATION.—

17 “(A) IN GENERAL.—If the Director decides to exercise the subpoena authority under
18 this subsection, and in the interest of avoiding interference with ongoing law
19 enforcement investigations, the Director shall coordinate the issuance of any such
20 subpoena with the Department of Justice, including the Federal Bureau of
21 Investigation, pursuant to inter-agency procedures which the Director, in coordination
22 with the Attorney General, shall develop not later than 60 days after the date of
23 enactment of this subsection.

24 “(B) CONTENTS.—The inter-agency procedures developed under this paragraph shall
25 provide that a subpoena issued by the Director under this subsection shall be—

26 “(i) issued in order to carry out a function described in subsection (c)(12); and

27 “(ii) subject to the limitations under this subsection.

28 “(4) NONCOMPLIANCE.—If any person, partnership, corporation, association, or entity
29 fails to comply with any duly served subpoena issued under this subsection, the Director
30 may request that the Attorney General seek enforcement of the subpoena in any judicial
31 district in which such person, partnership, corporation, association, or entity resides, is
32 found, or transacts business.

33 “(5) NOTICE.—Not later than 7 days after the date on which the Director receives
34 information obtained through a subpoena issued under this subsection, the Director shall
35 notify the entity at risk identified by information obtained under the subpoena regarding the
36 subpoena and the identified vulnerability.

37 “(6) AUTHENTICATION.—Any subpoena issued by the Director under this subsection shall
38 be authenticated by the electronic signature of an authorized representative of the Agency or
39 other comparable symbol or process identifying the Agency as the source of the subpoena.

40 “(7) PROCEDURES.—Not later than 90 days after the date of enactment of this subsection,
41 the Director shall establish internal procedures and associated training, applicable to

1 employees and operations of the Agency, regarding subpoenas issued under this subsection,
2 which shall address—

3 “(A) the protection of and restriction on dissemination of nonpublic information
4 obtained through a subpoena issued under this subsection, including a requirement that
5 the Agency shall not disseminate nonpublic information obtained through a subpoena
6 issued under this subsection that identifies the party that is subject to the subpoena or
7 the entity at risk identified by information obtained, unless—

8 “(i) the party or entity consents; or

9 “(ii) the Agency identifies or is notified of a cybersecurity incident involving
10 the party or entity, which relates to the vulnerability which led to the issuance of
11 the subpoena;

12 “(B) the restriction on the use of information obtained through the subpoena for a
13 cybersecurity purpose, as defined in section 102 of the Cybersecurity Information
14 Sharing Act of 2015 (6 U.S.C. 1501);

15 “(C) the retention and destruction of nonpublic information obtained through a
16 subpoena issued under this subsection, including—

17 “(i) immediate destruction of information obtained through the subpoena that
18 the Director determines is unrelated to critical infrastructure; and

19 “(ii) destruction of any personally identifiable information not later than 6
20 months after the date on which the Director receives information obtained through
21 the subpoena, unless otherwise agreed to by the individual identified by the
22 subpoena respondent;

23 “(D) the processes for providing notice to each party that is subject to the subpoena
24 and each entity at risk identified by information obtained pursuant to a subpoena issued
25 under this subsection; and

26 “(E) the processes and criteria for conducting critical infrastructure security risk
27 assessments to determine whether a subpoena is necessary prior to being issued under
28 this subsection.

29 “(8) REVIEW OF PROCEDURES.—Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this
30 subsection, the Privacy Officer of the Agency shall—

31 “(A) review the procedures developed by the Director under paragraph (7) to ensure
32 that—

33 “(i) the procedures are consistent with fair information practices; and

34 “(ii) the operations of the Agency comply with the procedures; and

35 “(B) notify the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs of the
36 Senate and the Committee on Homeland Security of the House of Representatives of
37 the results of the review.

38 “(9) PUBLICATION OF INFORMATION.—Not later than 120 days after establishing the
39 internal procedures under paragraph (7), the Director shall make publicly available
40 information regarding the subpoena process under this subsection, including regarding—

1 “(A) the purpose for subpoenas issued under this subsection;

2 “(B) the subpoena process;

3 “(C) the criteria for the critical infrastructure security risk assessment conducted
4 prior to issuing a subpoena;

5 “(D) policies and procedures on retention and sharing of data obtained by subpoena;

6 “(E) guidelines on how entities contacted by the Director may respond to notice of a
7 subpoena; and

8 “(F) the procedures and policies of the Agency developed under paragraph (7).

9 “(10) ANNUAL REPORTS.—The Director shall annually submit to the Committee on
10 Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs of the Senate and the Committee on
11 Homeland Security of the House of Representatives a report (which may include a
12 classified annex but with the presumption of declassification) on the use of subpoenas under
13 this subsection by the Director, which shall include—

14 “(A) a discussion of—

15 “(i) the effectiveness of the use of subpoenas to mitigate critical infrastructure
16 security vulnerabilities;

17 “(ii) the critical infrastructure security risk assessment process conducted for
18 subpoenas issued under this subsection;

19 “(iii) the number of subpoenas issued under this subsection by the Director
20 during the preceding year;

21 “(iv) to the extent practicable, the number of vulnerable enterprise devices or
22 systems mitigated under this subsection by the Agency during the preceding year;
23 and

24 “(v) the number of entities notified by the Director under this subsection, and
25 their response, during the previous year; and

26 “(B) for each subpoena issued under this subsection—

27 “(i) the source of the security vulnerability detected, identified, or received by
28 the Director;

29 “(ii) the steps taken to identify the entity at risk prior to issuing the subpoena;
30 and

31 “(iii) a description of the outcome of the subpoena, including discussion on the
32 resolution or mitigation of the critical infrastructure security vulnerability.

33 “(11) PUBLICATION OF THE ANNUAL REPORTS.—The Director shall make a version of the
34 annual report required by paragraph (10) publicly available, which shall, at a minimum,
35 include the findings described in clause (iii), (iv) and (v) of subparagraph (A).”
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