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21 of related cyber incidents that together satisfy such
22 definition, conduct a review of the details sur-
23 rounding the covered cyber incident or group of
24 those incidents and identify and disseminate ways to
25 prevent or mitigate similar incidents in the future;

1 “(7) with respect to covered cyber incident re-
2 ports under section 2242(a) and 2243 involving an
3 ongoing cyber threat or security vulnerability, imme-
4 diately review those reports for cyber threat indica-
5 tors that can be anonymized and disseminated, with
6 defensive measures, to appropriate stakeholders, in
7 coordination with other divisions within the Agency,
8 as appropriate;

9 “(8) publish quarterly unclassified, public re-
10 ports that describe aggregated, anonymized observa-
11 tions, findings, and recommendations based on cov-
12 ered cyber incident reports, which may be based on
13 the unclassified information contained in the brief-
14 ings required under subsection (c);

15 “(9) proactively identify opportunities, con-
16 sistent with the protections in section 2245, to lever-
17 age and utilize data on cyber incidents in a manner
18 that enables and strengthens cybersecurity research
19 carried out by academic institutions and other pri-
20 vate sector organizations, to the greatest extent
21 practicable; and

22 “(10) in accordance with section 2245 and sub-
23 section (b) of this section, as soon as possible but
24 not later than 24 hours after receiving a covered
25 cyber incident report, ransom payment report, volun-

1 tarily submitted information pursuant to section
2 2243, or information received pursuant to a request
3 for information or subpoena under section 2244,
4 make available the information to appropriate Sector
5 Risk Management Agencies and other appropriate
6 Federal agencies.

7 “(b) INTERAGENCY SHARING.—The President or a
8 designee of the President—

9 “(1) may establish a specific time requirement
10 for sharing information under subsection (a)(10);
11 and

12 “(2) shall determine the appropriate Federal
13 agencies under subsection (a)(10).

14 “(c) PERIODIC BRIEFING.—Not later than 60 days
15 after the effective date of the final rule required under
16 section 2242(b), and on the first day of each month there-
17 after, the Director, in consultation with the National
18 Cyber Director, the Attorney General, and the Director
19 of National Intelligence, shall provide to the majority lead-
20 er of the Senate, the minority leader of the Senate, the
21 Speaker of the House of Representatives, the minority
22 leader of the House of Representatives, the Committee on
23 Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs of the Sen-
24 ate, and the Committee on Homeland Security of the
25 House of Representatives a briefing that characterizes the

1 national cyber threat landscape, including the threat fac-
2 ing Federal agencies and covered entities, and applicable
3 intelligence and law enforcement information, covered
4 cyber incidents, and ransomware attacks, as of the date
5 of the briefing, which shall—

6 “(1) include the total number of reports sub-
7 mitted under sections 2242 and 2243 during the
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9 and voluntary reports;

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11 cyber incidents and ransomware attacks over the
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14 information collected in the reports submitted under
15 sections 2242 and 2243, including—

16 “(A) the infrastructure, tactics, and tech-
17 niques malicious cyber actors commonly use;
18 and

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21 covered cyber incidents and ransomware
22 threats;

23 “(3) include a summary of the known uses of
24 the information in reports submitted under sections
25 2242 and 2243; and

1 “(4) include an unclassified portion, but may
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3 **“SEC. 2242. REQUIRED REPORTING OF CERTAIN CYBER IN-**
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5 “(a) IN GENERAL.—

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7 “(A) IN GENERAL.—A covered entity that
8 experiences a covered cyber incident shall report
9 the covered cyber incident to the Agency not
10 later than 72 hours after the covered entity rea-
11 sonably believes that the covered cyber incident
12 has occurred.

13 “(B) LIMITATION.—The Director may not
14 require reporting under subparagraph (A) any
15 earlier than 72 hours after the covered entity
16 reasonably believes that a covered cyber inci-
17 dent has occurred.

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20 makes a ransom payment as the result of a
21 ransomware attack against the covered entity
22 shall report the payment to the Agency not
23 later than 24 hours after the ransom payment
24 has been made.

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2 under subparagraph (A) shall apply even if the
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4 dent subject to the reporting requirements
5 under paragraph (1).

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7 tity shall promptly submit to the Agency an update
8 or supplement to a previously submitted covered
9 cyber incident report if substantial new or different
10 information becomes available or if the covered enti-
11 ty makes a ransom payment after submitting a cov-
12 ered cyber incident report required under paragraph
13 (1), until such date that such covered entity notifies
14 the Agency that the covered cyber incident at issue
15 has concluded and has been fully mitigated and re-
16 solved.

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21 ance with procedures established in the final rule
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23 rounding the covered cyber incident or group of
24 those incidents and identify and disseminate ways to
25 prevent or mitigate similar incidents in the future;

1 “(7) with respect to covered cyber incident re-
2 ports under section 2242(a) and 2243 involving an
3 ongoing cyber threat or security vulnerability, imme-
4 diately review those reports for cyber threat indica-
5 tors that can be anonymized and disseminated, with
6 defensive measures, to appropriate stakeholders, in
7 coordination with other divisions within the Agency,
8 as appropriate;

9 “(8) publish quarterly unclassified, public re-
10 ports that describe aggregated, anonymized observa-
11 tions, findings, and recommendations based on cov-
12 ered cyber incident reports, which may be based on
13 the unclassified information contained in the brief-
14 ings required under subsection (c);

15 “(9) proactively identify opportunities, con-
16 sistent with the protections in section 2245, to lever-
17 age and utilize data on cyber incidents in a manner
18 that enables and strengthens cybersecurity research
19 carried out by academic institutions and other pri-
20 vate sector organizations, to the greatest extent
21 practicable; and

22 “(10) in accordance with section 2245 and sub-
23 section (b) of this section, as soon as possible but
24 not later than 24 hours after receiving a covered
25 cyber incident report, ransom payment report, volun-

1 tarily submitted information pursuant to section
2 2243, or information received pursuant to a request
3 for information or subpoena under section 2244,
4 make available the information to appropriate Sector
5 Risk Management Agencies and other appropriate
6 Federal agencies.

7 “(b) INTERAGENCY SHARING.—The President or a
8 designee of the President—

9 “(1) may establish a specific time requirement
10 for sharing information under subsection (a)(10);
11 and

12 “(2) shall determine the appropriate Federal
13 agencies under subsection (a)(10).

14 “(c) PERIODIC BRIEFING.—Not later than 60 days
15 after the effective date of the final rule required under
16 section 2242(b), and on the first day of each month there-
17 after, the Director, in consultation with the National
18 Cyber Director, the Attorney General, and the Director
19 of National Intelligence, shall provide to the majority lead-
20 er of the Senate, the minority leader of the Senate, the
21 Speaker of the House of Representatives, the minority
22 leader of the House of Representatives, the Committee on
23 Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs of the Sen-
24 ate, and the Committee on Homeland Security of the
25 House of Representatives a briefing that characterizes the

1 national cyber threat landscape, including the threat fac-
2 ing Federal agencies and covered entities, and applicable
3 intelligence and law enforcement information, covered
4 cyber incidents, and ransomware attacks, as of the date
5 of the briefing, which shall—

6 “(1) include the total number of reports sub-
7 mitted under sections 2242 and 2243 during the
8 preceding month, including a breakdown of required
9 and voluntary reports;

10 “(2) include any identified trends in covered
11 cyber incidents and ransomware attacks over the
12 course of the preceding month and as compared to
13 previous reports, including any trends related to the
14 information collected in the reports submitted under
15 sections 2242 and 2243, including—

16 “(A) the infrastructure, tactics, and tech-
17 niques malicious cyber actors commonly use;
18 and

19 “(B) intelligence gaps that have impeded,
20 or currently are impeding, the ability to counter
21 covered cyber incidents and ransomware
22 threats;

23 “(3) include a summary of the known uses of
24 the information in reports submitted under sections
25 2242 and 2243; and

1 “(4) include an unclassified portion, but may
2 include a classified component.

3 **“SEC. 2242. REQUIRED REPORTING OF CERTAIN CYBER IN-**
4 **CIDENTS.**

5 “(a) IN GENERAL.—

6 “(1) COVERED CYBER INCIDENT REPORTS.—

7 “(A) IN GENERAL.—A covered entity that
8 experiences a covered cyber incident shall report
9 the covered cyber incident to the Agency not
10 later than 72 hours after the covered entity rea-
11 sonably believes that the covered cyber incident
12 has occurred.

13 “(B) LIMITATION.—The Director may not
14 require reporting under subparagraph (A) any
15 earlier than 72 hours after the covered entity
16 reasonably believes that a covered cyber inci-
17 dent has occurred.

18 “(2) RANSOM PAYMENT REPORTS.—

19 “(A) IN GENERAL.—A covered entity that
20 makes a ransom payment as the result of a
21 ransomware attack against the covered entity
22 shall report the payment to the Agency not
23 later than 24 hours after the ransom payment
24 has been made.

1 “(B) APPLICATION.—The requirements
2 under subparagraph (A) shall apply even if the
3 ransomware attack is not a covered cyber inci-
4 dent subject to the reporting requirements
5 under paragraph (1).

6 “(3) SUPPLEMENTAL REPORTS.—A covered en-
7 tity shall promptly submit to the Agency an update
8 or supplement to a previously submitted covered
9 cyber incident report if substantial new or different
10 information becomes available or if the covered enti-
11 ty makes a ransom payment after submitting a cov-
12 ered cyber incident report required under paragraph
13 (1), until such date that such covered entity notifies
14 the Agency that the covered cyber incident at issue
15 has concluded and has been fully mitigated and re-
16 solved.

17 “(4) PRESERVATION OF INFORMATION.—Any
18 covered entity subject to requirements of paragraph
19 (1), (2), or (3) shall preserve data relevant to the
20 covered cyber incident or ransom payment in accord-
21 ance with procedures established in the final rule
22 issued pursuant to subsection (b).

23 “(5) EXCEPTIONS.—

24 “(A) REPORTING OF COVERED CYBER IN-
25 CIDENT WITH RANSOM PAYMENT.—If a covered

1 entity is the victim of a covered cyber incident
2 and makes a ransom payment prior to the 72
3 hour requirement under paragraph (1), such
4 that the reporting requirements under para-
5 graphs (1) and (2) both apply, the covered enti-
6 ty may submit a single report to satisfy the re-
7 quirements of both paragraphs in accordance
8 with procedures established in the final rule
9 issued pursuant to subsection (b).

10 “(B) SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR REPORTED
11 INFORMATION.—

12 “(i) IN GENERAL.—Subject to the
13 limitation described in clause (ii), where
14 the Agency has an agreement in place that
15 satisfies the requirements of section 104(a)
16 of the Cyber Incident Reporting for Crit-
17 ical Infrastructure Act of 2022, the re-
18 quirements under paragraphs (1), (2), and
19 (3) shall not apply to a covered entity re-
20 quired by law, regulation, or contract to
21 report substantially similar information to
22 another Federal agency within a substan-
23 tially similar timeframe.

24 “(ii) LIMITATION.—The exemption in
25 clause (i) shall take effect with respect to

1 a covered entity once an agency agreement
2 and sharing mechanism is in place between
3 the Agency and the respective Federal
4 agency, pursuant to section 104(a) of the
5 Cyber Incident Reporting for Critical In-
6 frastructure Act of 2022.

7 “(iii) RULES OF CONSTRUCTION.—
8 Nothing in this paragraph shall be con-
9 strued to—

10 “(I) exempt a covered entity
11 from the reporting requirements
12 under paragraph (3) unless the sup-
13 plemental report also meets the re-
14 quirements of clauses (i) and (ii) of
15 this paragraph;

16 “(II) prevent the Agency from
17 contacting an entity submitting infor-
18 mation to another Federal agency
19 that is provided to the Agency pursu-
20 ant to section 104 of the Cyber Inci-
21 dent Reporting for Critical Infrastruc-
22 ture Act of 2022; or

23 “(III) prevent an entity from
24 communicating with the Agency.

1 “(C) DOMAIN NAME SYSTEM.—The re-
2 quirements under paragraphs (1), (2) and (3)
3 shall not apply to a covered entity or the func-
4 tions of a covered entity that the Director de-
5 termines constitute critical infrastructure
6 owned, operated, or governed by multi-stake-
7 holder organizations that develop, implement,
8 and enforce policies concerning the Domain
9 Name System, such as the Internet Corporation
10 for Assigned Names and Numbers or the Inter-
11 net Assigned Numbers Authority.

12 “(6) MANNER, TIMING, AND FORM OF RE-
13 PORTS.—Reports made under paragraphs (1), (2),
14 and (3) shall be made in the manner and form, and
15 within the time period in the case of reports made
16 under paragraph (3), prescribed in the final rule
17 issued pursuant to subsection (b).

18 “(7) EFFECTIVE DATE.—Paragraphs (1)
19 through (4) shall take effect on the dates prescribed
20 in the final rule issued pursuant to subsection (b).

21 “(b) RULEMAKING.—

22 “(1) NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING.—Not
23 later than 24 months after the date of enactment of
24 this section, the Director, in consultation with Sector
25 Risk Management Agencies, the Department of Jus-

1 tice, and other Federal agencies, shall publish in the
2 Federal Register a notice of proposed rulemaking to
3 implement subsection (a).

4 “(2) FINAL RULE.—Not later than 18 months
5 after publication of the notice of proposed rule-
6 making under paragraph (1), the Director shall
7 issue a final rule to implement subsection (a).

8 “(3) SUBSEQUENT RULEMAKINGS.—

9 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The Director is au-
10 thorized to issue regulations to amend or revise
11 the final rule issued pursuant to paragraph (2).

12 “(B) PROCEDURES.—Any subsequent rules
13 issued under subparagraph (A) shall comply
14 with the requirements under chapter 5 of title
15 5, United States Code, including the issuance of
16 a notice of proposed rulemaking under section
17 553 of such title.

18 “(c) ELEMENTS.—The final rule issued pursuant to
19 subsection (b) shall be composed of the following elements:

20 “(1) A clear description of the types of entities
21 that constitute covered entities, based on—

22 “(A) the consequences that disruption to
23 or compromise of such an entity could cause to
24 national security, economic security, or public
25 health and safety;

1 “(B) the likelihood that such an entity
2 may be targeted by a malicious cyber actor, in-
3 cluding a foreign country; and

4 “(C) the extent to which damage, disrup-
5 tion, or unauthorized access to such an entity,
6 including the accessing of sensitive cybersecu-
7 rity vulnerability information or penetration
8 testing tools or techniques, will likely enable the
9 disruption of the reliable operation of critical
10 infrastructure.

11 “(2) A clear description of the types of substan-
12 tial cyber incidents that constitute covered cyber in-
13 cidents, which shall—

14 “(A) at a minimum, require the occurrence
15 of—

16 “(i) a cyber incident that leads to sub-
17 stantial loss of confidentiality, integrity, or
18 availability of such information system or
19 network, or a serious impact on the safety
20 and resiliency of operational systems and
21 processes;

22 “(ii) a disruption of business or indus-
23 trial operations, including due to a denial
24 of service attack, ransomware attack, or

1 exploitation of a zero day vulnerability,
2 against

3 “(I) an information system or
4 network; or

5 “(II) an operational technology
6 system or process; or

7 “(iii) unauthorized access or disrup-
8 tion of business or industrial operations
9 due to loss of service facilitated through,
10 or caused by, a compromise of a cloud
11 service provider, managed service provider,
12 or other third-party data hosting provider
13 or by a supply chain compromise;

14 “(B) consider—

15 “(i) the sophistication or novelty of
16 the tactics used to perpetrate such a cyber
17 incident, as well as the type, volume, and
18 sensitivity of the data at issue;

19 “(ii) the number of individuals di-
20 rectly or indirectly affected or potentially
21 affected by such a cyber incident; and

22 “(iii) potential impacts on industrial
23 control systems, such as supervisory con-
24 trol and data acquisition systems, distrib-

1 uted control systems, and programmable
2 logic controllers; and

3 “(C) exclude—

4 “(i) any event where the cyber inci-
5 dent is perpetrated in good faith by an en-
6 tity in response to a specific request by the
7 owner or operator of the information sys-
8 tem; and

9 “(ii) the threat of disruption as extor-
10 tion, as described in section 2240(14)(A).

11 “(3) A requirement that, if a covered cyber inci-
12 dent or a ransom payment occurs following an ex-
13 empted threat described in paragraph (2)(C)(ii), the
14 covered entity shall comply with the requirements in
15 this subtitle in reporting the covered cyber incident
16 or ransom payment.

17 “(4) A clear description of the specific required
18 contents of a report pursuant to subsection (a)(1),
19 which shall include the following information, to the
20 extent applicable and available, with respect to a
21 covered cyber incident:

22 “(A) A description of the covered cyber in-
23 cident, including—

24 “(i) identification and a description of
25 the function of the affected information

1 systems, networks, or devices that were, or
2 are reasonably believed to have been, af-
3 fected by such cyber incident;

4 “(ii) a description of the unauthorized
5 access with substantial loss of confiden-
6 tiality, integrity, or availability of the af-
7 fected information system or network or
8 disruption of business or industrial oper-
9 ations;

10 “(iii) the estimated date range of such
11 incident; and

12 “(iv) the impact to the operations of
13 the covered entity.

14 “(B) Where applicable, a description of the
15 vulnerabilities exploited and the security de-
16 fenses that were in place, as well as the tactics,
17 techniques, and procedures used to perpetrate
18 the covered cyber incident.

19 “(C) Where applicable, any identifying or
20 contact information related to each actor rea-
21 sonably believed to be responsible for such cyber
22 incident.

23 “(D) Where applicable, identification of
24 the category or categories of information that
25 were, or are reasonably believed to have been,

1 accessed or acquired by an unauthorized per-
2 son.

3 “(E) The name and other information that
4 clearly identifies the covered entity impacted by
5 the covered cyber incident, including, as appli-
6 cable, the State of incorporation or formation of
7 the covered entity, trade names, legal names, or
8 other identifiers.

9 “(F) Contact information, such as tele-
10 phone number or electronic mail address, that
11 the Agency may use to contact the covered enti-
12 ty or an authorized agent of such covered enti-
13 ty, or, where applicable, the service provider of
14 such covered entity acting with the express per-
15 mission of, and at the direction of, the covered
16 entity to assist with compliance with the re-
17 quirements of this subtitle.

18 “(5) A clear description of the specific required
19 contents of a report pursuant to subsection (a)(2),
20 which shall be the following information, to the ex-
21 tent applicable and available, with respect to a ran-
22 som payment:

23 “(A) A description of the ransomware at-
24 tack, including the estimated date range of the
25 attack.

1 “(B) Where applicable, a description of the
2 vulnerabilities, tactics, techniques, and proce-
3 dures used to perpetrate the ransomware at-
4 tack.

5 “(C) Where applicable, any identifying or
6 contact information related to the actor or ac-
7 tors reasonably believed to be responsible for
8 the ransomware attack.

9 “(D) The name and other information that
10 clearly identifies the covered entity that made
11 the ransom payment or on whose behalf the
12 payment was made.

13 “(E) Contact information, such as tele-
14 phone number or electronic mail address, that
15 the Agency may use to contact the covered enti-
16 ty that made the ransom payment or an author-
17 ized agent of such covered entity, or, where ap-
18 plicable, the service provider of such covered en-
19 tity acting with the express permission of, and
20 at the direction of, that covered entity to assist
21 with compliance with the requirements of this
22 subtitle.

23 “(F) The date of the ransom payment.

1 “(G) The ransom payment demand, includ-
2 ing the type of virtual currency or other com-
3 modity requested, if applicable.

4 “(H) The ransom payment instructions,
5 including information regarding where to send
6 the payment, such as the virtual currency ad-
7 dress or physical address the funds were re-
8 quested to be sent to, if applicable.

9 “(I) The amount of the ransom payment.

10 “(6) A clear description of the types of data re-
11 quired to be preserved pursuant to subsection (a)(4),
12 the period of time for which the data is required to
13 be preserved, and allowable uses, processes, and pro-
14 cedures.

15 “(7) Deadlines and criteria for submitting sup-
16 plemental reports to the Agency required under sub-
17 section (a)(3), which shall—

18 “(A) be established by the Director in con-
19 sultation with the Council;

20 “(B) consider any existing regulatory re-
21 porting requirements similar in scope, purpose,
22 and timing to the reporting requirements to
23 which such a covered entity may also be sub-
24 ject, and make efforts to harmonize the timing

1 and contents of any such reports to the max-
2 imum extent practicable;

3 “(C) balance the need for situational
4 awareness with the ability of the covered entity
5 to conduct cyber incident response and inves-
6 tigation; and

7 “(D) provide a clear description of what
8 constitutes substantial new or different infor-
9 mation.

10 “(8) Procedures for—

11 “(A) entities, including third parties pur-
12 suant to subsection (d)(1), to submit reports re-
13 quired by paragraphs (1), (2), and (3) of sub-
14 section (a), including the manner and form
15 thereof, which shall include, at a minimum, a
16 concise, user-friendly web-based form;

17 “(B) the Agency to carry out—

18 “(i) the enforcement provisions of sec-
19 tion 2244, including with respect to the
20 issuance, service, withdrawal, referral proc-
21 ess, and enforcement of subpoenas, appeals
22 and due process procedures;

23 “(ii) other available enforcement
24 mechanisms including acquisition, suspen-
25 sion and debarment procedures; and

1 “(iii) other aspects of noncompliance;

2 “(C) implementing the exceptions provided
3 in subsection (a)(5); and

4 “(D) protecting privacy and civil liberties
5 consistent with processes adopted pursuant to
6 section 105(b) of the Cybersecurity Act of 2015
7 (6 U.S.C. 1504(b)) and anonymizing and safe-
8 guarding, or no longer retaining, information
9 received and disclosed through covered cyber in-
10 cident reports and ransom payment reports that
11 is known to be personal information of a spe-
12 cific individual or information that identifies a
13 specific individual that is not directly related to
14 a cybersecurity threat.

15 “(9) Other procedural measures directly nec-
16 essary to implement subsection (a).

17 “(d) THIRD PARTY REPORT SUBMISSION AND RAN-
18 SOM PAYMENT.—

19 “(1) REPORT SUBMISSION.—A covered entity
20 that is required to submit a covered cyber incident
21 report or a ransom payment report may use a third
22 party, such as an incident response company, insur-
23 ance provider, service provider, Information Sharing
24 and Analysis Organization, or law firm, to submit
25 the required report under subsection (a).

1 “(2) RANSOM PAYMENT.—If a covered entity
2 impacted by a ransomware attack uses a third party
3 to make a ransom payment, the third party shall not
4 be required to submit a ransom payment report for
5 itself under subsection (a)(2).

6 “(3) DUTY TO REPORT.—Third-party reporting
7 under this subparagraph does not relieve a covered
8 entity from the duty to comply with the require-
9 ments for covered cyber incident report or ransom
10 payment report submission.

11 “(4) RESPONSIBILITY TO ADVISE.—Any third
12 party used by a covered entity that knowingly makes
13 a ransom payment on behalf of a covered entity im-
14 pacted by a ransomware attack shall advise the im-
15 pacted covered entity of the responsibilities of the
16 impacted covered entity regarding reporting ransom
17 payments under this section.

18 “(e) OUTREACH TO COVERED ENTITIES.—

19 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Agency shall conduct
20 an outreach and education campaign to inform likely
21 covered entities, entities that offer or advertise as a
22 service to customers to make or facilitate ransom
23 payments on behalf of covered entities impacted by
24 ransomware attacks and other appropriate entities

1 of the requirements of paragraphs (1), (2), and (3)
2 of subsection (a).

3 “(2) ELEMENTS.—The outreach and education
4 campaign under paragraph (1) shall include the fol-
5 lowing:

6 “(A) An overview of the final rule issued
7 pursuant to subsection (b).

8 “(B) An overview of mechanisms to submit
9 to the Agency covered cyber incident reports,
10 ransom payment reports, and information relat-
11 ing to the disclosure, retention, and use of cov-
12 ered cyber incident reports and ransom pay-
13 ment reports under this section.

14 “(C) An overview of the protections af-
15 farded to covered entities for complying with
16 the requirements under paragraphs (1), (2),
17 and (3) of subsection (a).

18 “(D) An overview of the steps taken under
19 section 2244 when a covered entity is not in
20 compliance with the reporting requirements
21 under subsection (a).

22 “(E) Specific outreach to cybersecurity
23 vendors, cyber incident response providers, cy-
24 bersecurity insurance entities, and other entities
25 that may support covered entities.

1 “(F) An overview of the privacy and civil
2 liberties requirements in this subtitle.

3 “(3) COORDINATION.—In conducting the out-
4 reach and education campaign required under para-
5 graph (1), the Agency may coordinate with—

6 “(A) the Critical Infrastructure Partner-
7 ship Advisory Council established under section
8 871;

9 “(B) Information Sharing and Analysis
10 Organizations;

11 “(C) trade associations;

12 “(D) information sharing and analysis cen-
13 ters;

14 “(E) sector coordinating councils; and

15 “(F) any other entity as determined appro-
16 priate by the Director.

17 “(f) EXEMPTION.—Sections 3506(c), 3507, 3508,
18 and 3509 of title 44, United States Code, shall not apply
19 to any action to carry out this section.

20 “(g) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this sec-
21 tion shall affect the authorities of the Federal Government
22 to implement the requirements of Executive Order 14028
23 (86 Fed. Reg. 26633; relating to improving the nation’s
24 cybersecurity), including changes to the Federal Acquisi-

1 tion Regulations and remedies to include suspension and
2 debarment.

3 “(h) SAVINGS PROVISION.—Nothing in this section
4 shall be construed to supersede or to abrogate, modify,
5 or otherwise limit the authority that is vested in any offi-
6 cer or any agency of the United States Government to reg-
7 ulate or take action with respect to the cybersecurity of
8 an entity.

9 **“SEC. 2243. VOLUNTARY REPORTING OF OTHER CYBER IN-**
10 **CIDENTS.**

11 “(a) IN GENERAL.—Entities may voluntarily report
12 cyber incidents or ransom payments to the Agency that
13 are not required under paragraph (1), (2), or (3) of sec-
14 tion 2242(a), but may enhance the situational awareness
15 of cyber threats.

16 “(b) VOLUNTARY PROVISION OF ADDITIONAL INFOR-
17 MATION IN REQUIRED REPORTS.—Covered entities may
18 voluntarily include in reports required under paragraph
19 (1), (2), or (3) of section 2242(a) information that is not
20 required to be included, but may enhance the situational
21 awareness of cyber threats.

22 “(c) APPLICATION OF PROTECTIONS.—The protec-
23 tions under section 2245 applicable to reports made under
24 section 2242 shall apply in the same manner and to the

1 same extent to reports and information submitted under
2 subsections (a) and (b).

3 **“SEC. 2244. NONCOMPLIANCE WITH REQUIRED REPORTING.**

4 “(a) PURPOSE.—In the event that a covered entity
5 that is required to submit a report under section 2242(a)
6 fails to comply with the requirement to report, the Direc-
7 tor may obtain information about the cyber incident or
8 ransom payment by engaging the covered entity directly
9 to request information about the cyber incident or ransom
10 payment, and if the Director is unable to obtain informa-
11 tion through such engagement, by issuing a subpoena to
12 the covered entity, pursuant to subsection (c), to gather
13 information sufficient to determine whether a covered
14 cyber incident or ransom payment has occurred.

15 “(b) INITIAL REQUEST FOR INFORMATION.—

16 “(1) IN GENERAL.—If the Director has reason
17 to believe, whether through public reporting or other
18 information in the possession of the Federal Govern-
19 ment, including through analysis performed pursu-
20 ant to paragraph (1) or (2) of section 2241(a), that
21 a covered entity has experienced a covered cyber in-
22 cident or made a ransom payment but failed to re-
23 port such cyber incident or payment to the Agency
24 in accordance with section 2242(a), the Director
25 may request additional information from the covered

1 entity to confirm whether or not a covered cyber in-
2 cident or ransom payment has occurred.

3 “(2) TREATMENT.—Information provided to the
4 Agency in response to a request under paragraph
5 (1) shall be treated as if it was submitted through
6 the reporting procedures established in section 2242.

7 “(c) ENFORCEMENT.—

8 “(1) IN GENERAL.—If, after the date that is 72
9 hours from the date on which the Director made the
10 request for information in subsection (b), the Direc-
11 tor has received no response from the covered entity
12 from which such information was requested, or re-
13 ceived an inadequate response, the Director may
14 issue to such covered entity a subpoena to compel
15 disclosure of information the Director deems nec-
16 essary to determine whether a covered cyber incident
17 or ransom payment has occurred and obtain the in-
18 formation required to be reported pursuant to sec-
19 tion 2242 and any implementing regulations, and as-
20 sess potential impacts to national security, economic
21 security, or public health and safety.

22 “(2) CIVIL ACTION.—

23 “(A) IN GENERAL.—If a covered entity
24 fails to comply with a subpoena, the Director
25 may refer the matter to the Attorney General

1 to bring a civil action in a district court of the
2 United States to enforce such subpoena.

3 “(B) VENUE.—An action under this para-
4 graph may be brought in the judicial district in
5 which the covered entity against which the ac-
6 tion is brought resides, is found, or does busi-
7 ness.

8 “(C) CONTEMPT OF COURT.—A court may
9 punish a failure to comply with a subpoena
10 issued under this subsection as contempt of
11 court.

12 “(3) NON-DELEGATION.—The authority of the
13 Director to issue a subpoena under this subsection
14 may not be delegated.

15 “(4) AUTHENTICATION.—

16 “(A) IN GENERAL.—Any subpoena issued
17 electronically pursuant to this subsection shall
18 be authenticated with a cryptographic digital
19 signature of an authorized representative of the
20 Agency, or other comparable successor tech-
21 nology, that allows the Agency to demonstrate
22 that such subpoena was issued by the Agency
23 and has not been altered or modified since such
24 issuance.

1 “(B) INVALID IF NOT AUTHENTICATED.—

2 Any subpoena issued electronically pursuant to
3 this subsection that is not authenticated in ac-
4 cordance with subparagraph (A) shall not be
5 considered to be valid by the recipient of such
6 subpoena.

7 “(d) PROVISION OF CERTAIN INFORMATION TO AT-
8 TORNEY GENERAL.—

9 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding section
10 2245(a)(5) and paragraph (b)(2) of this section, if
11 the Director determines, based on the information
12 provided in response to a subpoena issued pursuant
13 to subsection (c), that the facts relating to the cyber
14 incident or ransom payment at issue may constitute
15 grounds for a regulatory enforcement action or
16 criminal prosecution, the Director may provide such
17 information to the Attorney General or the head of
18 the appropriate Federal regulatory agency, who may
19 use such information for a regulatory enforcement
20 action or criminal prosecution.

21 “(2) CONSULTATION.—The Director may con-
22 sult with the Attorney General or the head of the
23 appropriate Federal regulatory agency when making
24 the determination under paragraph (1).

1 “(e) CONSIDERATIONS.—When determining whether
2 to exercise the authorities provided under this section, the
3 Director shall take into consideration—

4 “(1) the complexity in determining if a covered
5 cyber incident has occurred; and

6 “(2) prior interaction with the Agency or
7 awareness of the covered entity of the policies and
8 procedures of the Agency for reporting covered cyber
9 incidents and ransom payments.

10 “(f) EXCLUSIONS.—This section shall not apply to a
11 State, local, Tribal, or territorial government entity.

12 “(g) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—The Director shall
13 submit to Congress an annual report on the number of
14 times the Director—

15 “(1) issued an initial request for information
16 pursuant to subsection (b);

17 “(2) issued a subpoena pursuant to subsection
18 (c); or

19 “(3) referred a matter to the Attorney General
20 for a civil action pursuant to subsection (c)(2).

21 “(h) PUBLICATION OF THE ANNUAL REPORT.—The
22 Director shall publish a version of the annual report re-
23 quired under subsection (g) on the website of the Agency,
24 which shall include, at a minimum, the number of times
25 the Director—

1 “(1) issued an initial request for information
2 pursuant to subsection (b); or

3 “(2) issued a subpoena pursuant to subsection
4 (c).

5 “(i) ANONYMIZATION OF REPORTS.—The Director
6 shall ensure any victim information contained in a report
7 required to be published under subsection (h) be
8 anonymized before the report is published.

9 **“SEC. 2245. INFORMATION SHARED WITH OR PROVIDED TO**
10 **THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.**

11 “(a) DISCLOSURE, RETENTION, AND USE.—

12 “(1) AUTHORIZED ACTIVITIES.—Information
13 provided to the Agency pursuant to section 2242 or
14 2243 may be disclosed to, retained by, and used by,
15 consistent with otherwise applicable provisions of
16 Federal law, any Federal agency or department,
17 component, officer, employee, or agent of the Fed-
18 eral Government solely for—

19 “(A) a cybersecurity purpose;

20 “(B) the purpose of identifying—

21 “(i) a cyber threat, including the
22 source of the cyber threat; or

23 “(ii) a security vulnerability;

24 “(C) the purpose of responding to, or oth-
25 erwise preventing or mitigating, a specific

1 threat of death, a specific threat of serious bod-
2 ily harm, or a specific threat of serious eco-
3 nomic harm, including a terrorist act or use of
4 a weapon of mass destruction;

5 “(D) the purpose of responding to, inves-
6 tigating, prosecuting, or otherwise preventing or
7 mitigating, a serious threat to a minor, includ-
8 ing sexual exploitation and threats to physical
9 safety; or

10 “(E) the purpose of preventing, inves-
11 tigating, disrupting, or prosecuting an offense
12 arising out of a cyber incident reported pursu-
13 ant to section 2242 or 2243 or any of the of-
14 fenses listed in section 105(d)(5)(A)(v) of the
15 Cybersecurity Act of 2015 (6 U.S.C.
16 1504(d)(5)(A)(v)).

17 “(2) AGENCY ACTIONS AFTER RECEIPT.—

18 “(A) RAPID, CONFIDENTIAL SHARING OF
19 CYBER THREAT INDICATORS.—Upon receiving a
20 covered cyber incident or ransom payment re-
21 port submitted pursuant to this section, the
22 Agency shall immediately review the report to
23 determine whether the cyber incident that is the
24 subject of the report is connected to an ongoing
25 cyber threat or security vulnerability and where

1 applicable, use such report to identify, develop,
2 and rapidly disseminate to appropriate stake-
3 holders actionable, anonymized cyber threat in-
4 dicators and defensive measures.

5 “(B) PRINCIPLES FOR SHARING SECURITY
6 VULNERABILITIES.—With respect to informa-
7 tion in a covered cyber incident or ransom pay-
8 ment report regarding a security vulnerability
9 referred to in paragraph (1)(B)(ii), the Director
10 shall develop principles that govern the timing
11 and manner in which information relating to se-
12 curity vulnerabilities may be shared, consistent
13 with common industry best practices and
14 United States and international standards.

15 “(3) PRIVACY AND CIVIL LIBERTIES.—Informa-
16 tion contained in covered cyber incident and ransom
17 payment reports submitted to the Agency pursuant
18 to section 2242 shall be retained, used, and dissemi-
19 nated, where permissible and appropriate, by the
20 Federal Government in accordance with processes to
21 be developed for the protection of personal informa-
22 tion consistent with processes adopted pursuant to
23 section 105 of the Cybersecurity Act of 2015 (6
24 U.S.C. 1504) and in a manner that protects per-

1 sonal information from unauthorized use or unau-
2 thorized disclosure.

3 “(4) DIGITAL SECURITY.—The Agency shall en-
4 sure that reports submitted to the Agency pursuant
5 to section 2242, and any information contained in
6 those reports, are collected, stored, and protected at
7 a minimum in accordance with the requirements for
8 moderate impact Federal information systems, as
9 described in Federal Information Processing Stand-
10 ards Publication 199, or any successor document.

11 “(5) PROHIBITION ON USE OF INFORMATION IN
12 REGULATORY ACTIONS.—

13 “(A) IN GENERAL.—A Federal, State,
14 local, or Tribal government shall not use infor-
15 mation about a covered cyber incident or ran-
16 som payment obtained solely through reporting
17 directly to the Agency in accordance with this
18 subtitle to regulate, including through an en-
19 forcement action, the activities of the covered
20 entity or entity that made a ransom payment,
21 unless the government entity expressly allows
22 entities to submit reports to the Agency to meet
23 regulatory reporting obligations of the entity.

24 “(B) CLARIFICATION.—A report submitted
25 to the Agency pursuant to section 2242 or 2243

1 may, consistent with Federal or State regu-
2 latory authority specifically relating to the pre-
3 vention and mitigation of cybersecurity threats
4 to information systems, inform the development
5 or implementation of regulations relating to
6 such systems.

7 “(b) PROTECTIONS FOR REPORTING ENTITIES AND
8 INFORMATION.—Reports describing covered cyber inci-
9 dents or ransom payments submitted to the Agency by en-
10 tities in accordance with section 2242, as well as volun-
11 tarily-submitted cyber incident reports submitted to the
12 Agency pursuant to section 2243, shall—

13 “(1) be considered the commercial, financial,
14 and proprietary information of the covered entity
15 when so designated by the covered entity;

16 “(2) be exempt from disclosure under section
17 552(b)(3) of title 5, United States Code (commonly
18 known as the ‘Freedom of Information Act’), as well
19 as any provision of State, Tribal, or local freedom of
20 information law, open government law, open meet-
21 ings law, open records law, sunshine law, or similar
22 law requiring disclosure of information or records;

23 “(3) be considered not to constitute a waiver of
24 any applicable privilege or protection provided by
25 law, including trade secret protection; and