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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. FROST (for himself, Mr. TIMMONS, and Mr. BURLISON) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

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## 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 “Legacy IT Reduction  
5       Act of 2026”.

6       **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

7       In this Act:

1           (1) ADMINISTRATOR.—The term “Adminis-  
2           trator” means the Administrator of General Serv-  
3           ices.

4           (2) AGENCY.—The term “agency” means an  
5           agency described in paragraph (1) or (2) of section  
6           901(b) of title 31, United States Code.

7           (3) CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER.—The term  
8           “Chief Information Officer” means a Chief Informa-  
9           tion Officer designated under section 3506(a)(2) of  
10          title 44, United States Code.

11          (4) COMPTROLLER GENERAL.—The term  
12          “Comptroller General” means the Comptroller Gen-  
13          eral of the United States.

14          (5) CONGRESSIONAL OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE.—  
15          The term “congressional oversight committee”  
16          means, with respect to a particular agency, a com-  
17          mittee or subcommittee of the Senate or the House  
18          of Representatives that provides oversight of the  
19          agency.

20          (6) DIRECTOR.—The term “Director” means  
21          the Director of the Office of Management and Budg-  
22          et.

23          (7) INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY.—The term  
24          “information technology” has the meaning given the

1 term in section 11101 of title 40, United States  
2 Code.

3 (8) IT WORKING CAPITAL FUND; LEGACY IN-  
4 FORMATION TECHNOLOGY SYSTEM.—The terms “IT  
5 working capital fund” and “legacy information tech-  
6 nology system” have the meanings given the terms  
7 in section 1076 of the National Defense Authoriza-  
8 tion Act for Fiscal Year 2018 (40 U.S.C. 11301  
9 note; Public Law 115–91).

10 (9) NATIONAL SECURITY SYSTEM.—The term  
11 “national security system” has the meaning given  
12 the term in section 11103 of title 40, United States  
13 Code.

14 (10) TECHNOLOGY MODERNIZATION FUND.—  
15 The term “Technology Modernization Fund” means  
16 the fund established under section 1078(b)(1) of the  
17 National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year  
18 2018 (40 U.S.C. 11301 note; Public Law 115–91).

19 **SEC. 3. LEGACY INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SYSTEM IN-**  
20 **VENTORY.**

21 (a) INVENTORY OF LEGACY INFORMATION TECH-  
22 NOLOGY SYSTEMS.—

23 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after  
24 the date of enactment of this Act, and not later than  
25 5 years thereafter, the Chief Information Officer of

1 each agency shall compile an inventory that lists  
2 each legacy information technology system used, op-  
3 erated, or maintained by the agency.

4 (2) CONTENTS.—The Director shall issue guid-  
5 ance prescribing the information that the Chief In-  
6 formation Officer of each agency shall include for  
7 each legacy technology information system listed in  
8 the inventory required under paragraph (1). In  
9 issuing such guidance, the Director shall consider in-  
10 cluding for each legacy technology information sys-  
11 tem listed in the inventory—

12 (A) the name or an identification of the  
13 legacy information technology system;

14 (B) the office or mission of the agency that  
15 the legacy information technology system sup-  
16 ports and how the office or mission uses the  
17 legacy information technology system;

18 (C) whether the legacy information tech-  
19 nology system is connected to a non-legacy in-  
20 formation technology system;

21 (D) to the extent that information is avail-  
22 able—

23 (i) the date of the last update or re-  
24 fresh of the legacy information technology  
25 system;

1 (ii) the annual price, including recur-  
2 ring subscription costs and any costs to  
3 contract labor, to operate or maintain the  
4 legacy information technology system; and  
5 (iii) the name and contact information  
6 of the vendor; and

7 (E) the date of the next expected update  
8 or modernization, retirement, or disposal of the  
9 legacy information technology system.

10 (b) TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY.—

11 (1) IN GENERAL.—Upon request by a House of  
12 Congress, a congressional oversight committee of an  
13 agency, the Comptroller General, or an inspector  
14 general of an agency, the head of the agency shall  
15 make available the inventory compiled under sub-  
16 section (a)(1) or a relevant portion of that inventory.

17 (2) REPORTING.—The Director may require an  
18 agency to include the inventory compiled under sub-  
19 section (a)(1) in a reporting structure determined by  
20 the Director.

21 **SEC. 4. AGENCY LEGACY INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SYS-**  
22 **TEMS MODERNIZATION PLANS.**

23 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 2 years after the  
24 date of enactment of this Act, and every 5 years there-  
25 after, the head of an agency shall develop and include as

1 part of the information resource management strategic  
2 plan of the agency submitted under section 3506(b)(2) of  
3 title 44, United States Code, a plan to modernize the leg-  
4 acy information technology systems of the agency.

5 (b) CONTENTS.—A modernization plan of an agency  
6 developed under subsection (a) shall include—

7 (1) an inventory of the legacy information tech-  
8 nology systems of the agency;

9 (2) an identification of legacy information tech-  
10 nology systems that the agency has prioritized for  
11 updates, modernization, retirement, or disposal;

12 (3) steps the agency intends to make toward  
13 updating, modernizing, retiring, or disposing of the  
14 legacy information technology systems of the agency  
15 prioritized under paragraph (2) during the 5-year  
16 period beginning on the date of submission of the  
17 plan; and

18 (4) any additional information that the Director  
19 determines necessary or useful for the agency to  
20 consider or include to effectively and efficiently exe-  
21 cute the modernization plan, which may include—

22 (A) the capacity of the agency to operate  
23 and maintain an updated or modernized legacy  
24 information technology system;

1 (B) the estimated cost and sources of  
2 funding required to execute the modernization  
3 plan;

4 (C) the ability of the agency to adapt an  
5 updated or modernized legacy information tech-  
6 nology system to changes in policy, technology,  
7 or other user needs, as necessary; and

8 (D) the effect that updating, modernizing,  
9 retiring, or disposing of a legacy information  
10 technology system of the agency that is con-  
11 nected to a non-legacy information technology  
12 system would have on any such non-legacy in-  
13 formation technology system.

14 (c) PUBLICATION AND SUBMISSION TO CONGRESS.—  
15 Not later than 30 days after the date on which the head  
16 of an agency submits the modernization plan developed  
17 under subsection (a) as part of the information resource  
18 management strategic plan of the agency submitted under  
19 section 3506(b)(2) of title 44, United States Code, the  
20 head of the agency shall submit the modernization plan  
21 to the Committee on Homeland Security and Govern-  
22 mental Affairs of the Senate, the Committee on Oversight  
23 and Accountability of the House of Representatives, and  
24 each congressional oversight committee of the agency.

1 **SEC. 5. ROLE OF THE OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDG-**  
2 **ET.**

3 Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment  
4 of this Act, the Director, in coordination with the Adminis-  
5 trator of the Office of Electronic Government, shall issue  
6 guidance on the implementation of this Act, which shall  
7 include—

8 (1) criteria to determine whether information  
9 technology qualifies as a “legacy information tech-  
10 nology system” for the purposes of compiling the in-  
11 ventory required under section 3(a)(1);

12 (2) instructions and templates to inform the  
13 compilation of the inventory required under section  
14 3(a)(1), as necessary;

15 (3) instructions and templates to inform the  
16 compilation and publication of, and any subsequent  
17 updates to, the modernization plans required under  
18 section 4(a), as necessary; and

19 (4) any other guidance determined necessary  
20 for the implementation of this Act, including how  
21 the implementation of this Act complements laws,  
22 regulations, and guidance relating to information  
23 technology modernization.

24 **SEC. 6. COMPTROLLER GENERAL REVIEW.**

25 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 3 years after the  
26 date of enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General

1 shall submit to the Committee on Homeland Security and  
2 Governmental Affairs of the Senate and the Committee  
3 on Oversight and Accountability of the House of Rep-  
4 resentatives a report on—

5 (1) the implementation of this Act; and

6 (2) how this Act functions alongside other in-  
7 formation technology modernization offices, policies,  
8 and programs, such as—

9 (A) the Technology Modernization Fund  
10 and the IT working capital fund;

11 (B) the Federal Risk and Authorization  
12 Management Program, the 18F program, and  
13 the 10X program of the General Services Ad-  
14 ministration;

15 (C) programs and policies of the Office of  
16 Management and Budget, including the Office  
17 of Electronic Government and the United  
18 States Digital Service; and

19 (D) any other office, policy, or program of  
20 the Federal Government determined relevant by  
21 the Comptroller General.

1 **SEC. 7. PROTECTION OF SENSITIVE INFORMATION; EXEMP-**  
2 **TION OF NATIONAL SECURITY SYSTEMS.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Nothing in this Act shall be con-  
4 strued to require the head of an agency to disclose sen-  
5 sitive information that—

6 (1) is protected from disclosure under any other  
7 law; or

8 (2) would compromise the security of any infor-  
9 mation technology system of the Federal Govern-  
10 ment.

11 (b) EXEMPTION.—Nothing in this Act shall be con-  
12 strued to authorize or require the head of an agency to  
13 inventory, develop a report relating to, or transfer a na-  
14 tional security system.

15 (c) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this Act  
16 shall be construed to authorize the transfer of legacy infor-  
17 mation technology systems or equipment to the Chinese  
18 Communist Party, the People’s Republic of China, or any  
19 entity controlled by the People’s Republic of China.

20 **SEC. 8. NO NEW FUNDS; SUNSET.**

21 (a) NO NEW FUNDS.—No additional funds are au-  
22 thorized to be appropriated to carry out this Act.

23 (b) SUNSET.—Effective on the date that is 6 years  
24 after the date of enactment of the Act, this Act shall have  
25 no force or effect.

