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110TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION**S. 2321****[Report No. 110–465]**

To amend the E-Government Act of 2002 (Public Law 107–347) to
reauthorize appropriations, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

NOVEMBER 7, 2007

Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself, Ms. COLLINS, and Mr. CARPER) introduced the
following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

SEPTEMBER 16, 2008

Reported by Mr. LIEBERMAN, with an amendment

[Omit the part struck through and insert the part printed in *italie*]**A BILL**

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347) to reauthorize appropriations, and for other purposes.

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 “E-Government Reau-
5 thorization Act of 2007”.

1 **SEC. 2. REAUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—The E-Government Act of 2002
3 (Public Law 107–347) is amended—

4 (1) in section 204(b), by striking “2007” and
5 inserting “2012”;

6 (2) in section 207(g)(5)(B), by striking “and
7 2007” and inserting “through 2012”;

8 (3) in section 213(h)(3), by striking “2007”
9 and inserting “2012”;

10 (4) in section 216(f), by striking “2007” and
11 inserting “2012”; and

12 (5) in section 401, by striking “2007” and in-
13 serting “2012”.

14 (b) INFORMATION SECURITY.—Section 3548 of title
15 44, United States Code, is amended by striking “2007”
16 and inserting “2012”.

17 (c) E-GOVERNMENT FUND.—Section 3604(g)(1)(E)
18 of title 44, United States Code, is amended by striking
19 “fiscal year 2007” and inserting “fiscal years 2007
20 through 2012”.

21 (d) INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY EXCHANGE PRO-
22 GRAM.—Section 3702(d) of title 5, United States Code,
23 is amended by striking “the end of the 5-year period be-
24 ginning on the date of the enactment of this chapter” and
25 inserting “September 30, 2012”.

1 (e) COMPUTER STANDARDS PROGRAM.—Section
 2 20(f) of the National Institute of Standards and Tech-
 3 nology Act (15 U.S.C. 278g–3) is amended by striking
 4 “2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, and 2007” and inserting “2003
 5 through 2012”.

6 **SEC. 3. BEST PRACTICES FOR PRIVACY IMPACT ASSESS-**
 7 **MENTS.**

8 Section 208(b)(3) of the E-Government Act of 2002
 9 (44 U.S.C. 3501 note) is amended—

10 (1) in subparagraph (B), by striking “and” at
 11 the end;

12 (2) in subparagraph (C), by striking the period
 13 and inserting “; and”; and

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

15 “(D) develop best practices for agencies to
 16 follow in conducting privacy impact assess-
 17 ments.”.

18 **SEC. 4. IMPROVING SEARCHES OF GOVERNMENT DOCU-**
 19 **MENTS ON THE WORLDWIDE WEB.**

20 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds that—

21 (1) members of the public and governments
 22 commonly rely on commercial search engines to lo-
 23 cate relevant information on the worldwide web, in-
 24 cluding information made available by government
 25 agencies; and

1 (2) some Federal agencies have not taken ac-
2 tions to make all of the information available
3 through their websites readily accessible to commer-
4 cial search engines.

5 (b) SEARCHABILITY OF GOVERNMENT WEBSITES.—
6 Section 207(f) of the E-Government Act of 2002 (44
7 U.S.C. 3501 note) is amended by adding at the end the
8 following:

9 “(4) SEARCHABILITY OF GOVERNMENT
10 WEBSITES.—

11 “(A) FUNCTIONS OF THE DIRECTOR.—

12 “(i) GUIDELINES.—Not later than 1
13 year after the date of enactment of the E-
14 Government Reauthorization Act of 2007,
15 the Director shall promulgate guidance
16 and best practices to ensure that publicly
17 available online Federal Government infor-
18 mation and services are made more acces-
19 sible to external search capabilities, includ-
20 ing commercial and governmental search
21 capabilities. The guidance and best prac-
22 tices shall include guidelines for each agen-
23 cy to test the accessibility of the websites
24 of that agency to external search capabili-
25 ties.

1 “(ii) REVIEW.—The Director shall en-
2 sure periodic review of any guidance and
3 best practices promulgated under clause (i)
4 to ensure that the guidance and best prac-
5 tices are consistent with any advances
6 made in information technology.

7 “(iii) REPORTS.—The Director shall
8 report annually to Congress, through the
9 report established under section 3606 of
10 title 44, United States Code, on—

11 “(I) the progress of agencies with
12 the guidance promulgated under
13 clause (i); and

14 “(II) the results of the testing by
15 agencies.

16 “(B) AGENCY FUNCTIONS.—

17 “(i) COMPLIANCE.—Effective on and
18 after 2 years after the date of enactment
19 of the E-Government Reauthorization Act
20 of 2007, each agency shall ensure compli-
21 ance with any guidance promulgated under
22 subparagraph (A).

23 “(ii) REPORTS.—Each agency shall
24 report annually to the Director, in the re-

port established under section 202(g),
on—

“(I) the use of best practices and
progress of that agency with the guid-
ance promulgated under subparagraph
(A); and

“(II) the results of the testing by
that agency.”.

**SEC. 5. PROVIDING AGENCY E-GOVERNMENT REPORTS TO
CONGRESS.**

Section 3606(b) of title 44, United States Code, is
amended by striking paragraph (1) and inserting the fol-
lowing:

“(1) the reports submitted by agencies to the
Director under section 202(g) of the E-Government
Act of 2002, and a summary of the information re-
ported by the agencies;”.

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