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S. 1478

To require the Secretary of Defense to develop a comprehensive plan to support civil authorities in response to cyber attacks by foreign powers, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. ROUNDS introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Armed Services

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 “Department of Defense
5 Cyber Support to Civil Authorities Act of 2015”.

1 **SEC. 2. COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OF DEPARTMENT OF DE-**
2 **FENSE TO SUPPORT CIVIL AUTHORITIES IN**
3 **RESPONSE TO CYBER ATTACKS BY FOREIGN**
4 **POWERS.**

5 (a) PLAN REQUIRED.—

6 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days
7 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-
8 retary of Defense shall develop a comprehensive plan
9 for the United States Cyber Command to support
10 civil authorities in responding to cyber attacks by
11 foreign powers (as defined in section 101 of the For-
12 eign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1978 (50
13 U.S.C. 1801)) against the United States or a United
14 States person.

15 (2) ELEMENTS.—The plan required by para-
16 graph (1) shall include the following:

17 (A) A plan for internal Department of De-
18 fense collective training activities that are inte-
19 grated with exercises conducted with other
20 agencies and State and local governments.

21 (B) Plans for coordination with the heads
22 of other Federal agencies and State and local
23 governments pursuant to the exercises required
24 under subparagraph (A).

25 (C) Note of any historical frameworks that
26 are used, if any, in the formulation of the plan

1 required by paragraph (1), such as Operation
2 Noble Eagle.

3 (D) Descriptions of the roles, responsibil-
4 ities, and expectations of Federal, State, and
5 local authorities as the Secretary understands
6 them.

7 (E) Descriptions of the roles, responsibil-
8 ities, and expectations of the active components
9 and reserve components of the Armed Forces.

10 (F) A description of such legislative and
11 administrative action as may be necessary to
12 carry out the plan required by paragraph (1).

13 (b) COMPTROLLER GENERAL OF THE UNITED
14 STATES REVIEW OF PLAN.—The Comptroller General of
15 the United States shall review the plan developed under
16 subsection (a)(1).

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