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# H. R. 4217

To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to develop tools to help State and local governments establish or improve cybersecurity, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. KATKO (for himself and Ms. SLOTKIN) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Homeland Security

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## A BILL

To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to develop tools to help State and local governments establish or improve cybersecurity, 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 “State and Local Cyber-  
5 security Improvement Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. STATE CYBERSECURITY GRANTS.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subtitle A of title XXII of the  
8 Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 651 et seq.)

1 is amended by adding at the end the following new sec-  
2 tions:

3 **“SEC. 2215. CYBERSECURITY RESOURCE GUIDE DEVELOP-**  
4 **MENT FOR STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT**  
5 **OFFICIALS.**

6 “The Secretary, acting through the Director, shall  
7 develop a resource guide for use by State, local, and Tribal  
8 officials, including law enforcement officers, to help such  
9 officials prepare for, protect against, respond to, recover  
10 from, and mitigate against cyber attacks.

11 **“SEC. 2216. STATE IDENTIFICATION OF HIGH VALUE AS-**  
12 **SETS.**

13 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Director shall establish a  
14 State and local government cybersecurity initiative to  
15 make grants to State and local governments to identify  
16 high value assets and critical system architecture in order  
17 to assess cybersecurity risks (as such term is defined in  
18 section 2209).

19 “(b) APPLICATION.—

20 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Each State and local gov-  
21 ernment may apply for a grant under this section,  
22 and shall submit such information in support of an  
23 application relating thereto as the Director may re-  
24 quire.

1           “(2) MINIMUM CONTENTS OF APPLICATION.—

2           An application under this subsection shall include  
3           the following:

4                   “(A) A description of how the State or  
5                   local government plans to allocate grant funds.

6                   “(B) A budget showing how the State or  
7                   local government intends to expend grant funds.

8           “(3) DURATION.—Grants under this section  
9           shall be for one year, and a State or local govern-  
10          ment may not reapply until five years has elapsed  
11          from the previous award of such a grant.

12          “(c) GRANT AWARD.—To be eligible to receive a  
13          grant under this section, a State or local government shall  
14          agree to contribute, from State or local government appro-  
15          priated funds, other State or local government revenue,  
16          or from private contributions received by the State or local  
17          government, not less than 20 percent of the amount of  
18          the grant.

19          “(d) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There  
20          is authorized to be appropriated \$5,000,000 for each of  
21          fiscal years 2020 through 2024 and such sums as may  
22          be necessary for each fiscal year thereafter to carry out  
23          this section.

1 **“SEC. 2217. STATE CYBER EXERCISES GRANTS.**

2       “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Director shall establish a  
3 State and local government cybersecurity initiative to  
4 make grants to State and local governments to conduct  
5 tabletop and live training exercises to assess the capability  
6 of the State or local government to respond to a  
7 cyberattack.

8       “(b) APPLICATION.—

9               “(1) IN GENERAL.—Each State and local gov-  
10 ernment may apply for a grant under this section,  
11 and shall submit such information in support of an  
12 application relating thereto as the Director may re-  
13 quire.

14               “(2) MINIMUM CONTENTS OF APPLICATION.—  
15 An application under this subsection shall include  
16 the following:

17                       “(A) A description of how the State or  
18 local government plans to allocate grant funds.

19                       “(B) A budget showing how the State or  
20 local government intends to expend grant funds.

21               “(3) DURATION.—Grants under this section  
22 shall be for one year, and a State or local govern-  
23 ment may apply or reapply on an annual basis.

24       “(c) GRANT AWARD.—To be eligible to receive a  
25 grant under this section, a State or local government shall  
26 agree to contribute, from State or local government appro-

1 priated funds, other State or local government revenue,  
2 or from private contributions received by the State or local  
3 government, not less than 20 percent of the amount of  
4 the grant.

5 “(d) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There  
6 is authorized to be appropriated \$5,000,000 for each of  
7 fiscal years 2020 through 2024 and such sums as may  
8 be necessary for each fiscal year thereafter to carry out  
9 this section”.

10 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of contents  
11 in section 1(b) of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 is  
12 amended by inserting after the item relating to section  
13 2214 the following new items:

“Sec. 2215. Cybersecurity resource guide development for State and local gov-  
ernment officials.

“Sec. 2216. State identification of high value assets.

“Sec. 2217. State cyber exercises grants.”.

