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[Report No. 116–265]

To establish in the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency of the Department of Homeland Security a Cybersecurity Advisory Committee.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JUNE 22, 2020

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

SEPTEMBER 9, 2020

Reported by Mr. JOHNSON, with an amendment

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in italic]

A BILL

To establish in the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency of the Department of Homeland Security a Cybersecurity Advisory Committee.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 *This Act may be cited as the “Cybersecurity Advisory Committee Authorization Act of 2020.”*

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20 days after the date on which the Director re-
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23 public version of the report describing the ac-
24 tivities of the Advisory Committee and such re-
25 lated matters as would be informative to the

1 public during that year, consistent with section
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7 Committee with feedback on the recommendation.
8 Such a response shall include—

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2 **“(A) IN GENERAL.—** Not later than 180
3 days after the date of enactment of the Cyber-
4 security Advisory Committee Authorization Act
5 of 2020, the Director shall appoint the mem-
6 bers of the Advisory Committee.

7 **“(B) COMPOSITION.—** The membership of
8 the Advisory Committee shall consist of not
9 more than 35 individuals.

10 **“(C) REPRESENTATION.—**

11 **“(i) IN GENERAL.—** The membership
12 of the Advisory Committee shall be geo-
13 graphically balanced and shall include rep-
14 resentatives of State and local governments
15 and of a broad range of industries, which
16 may include the following:

17 **“(I) Defense.**

18 **“(II) Education.**

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20 **surance.**

21 **“(IV) Healthcare.**

22 **“(V) Manufacturing.**

23 **“(VI) Media and entertainment.**

24 **“(VII) Chemicals.**

25 **“(VIII) Retail.**

1 “(IX) Transportation.

2 “(X) Energy.

3 “(XI) Information Technology.

4 “(XII) Communications.

5 “(XIII) Other relevant fields

6 identified by the Director.

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13 cept that a member may continue to serve until

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17 Committee and remove such member any time

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6 frequently than semiannually, and may convene
7 additional meetings as necessary.

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9 the meetings referred to in subparagraph (A)
10 shall be open to the public.

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18 appointed to the Advisory Committee and be-
19 fore the member is granted access to any classi-
20 fied information, the Director shall determine if
21 the member should be restricted from review-
22 ing, discussing, or possessing classified informa-
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1 utive Order No. 13526 of December 29, 2009
2 (75 Fed. Reg. 707), or any subsequent cor-
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11 appointed to a subcommittee has subject matter ex-
12 pertise relevant to the subject matter of the sub-
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