

1 (d) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this sec-  
2 tion shall be construed to—

3 (1) require a State to report data under sub-  
4 section (a); or

5 (2) require a non-Federal entity (as defined in  
6 section 102) to—

7 (A) adopt a recommended measure devel-  
8 oped under subsection (b); or

9 (B) follow the result of the activities car-  
10 ried out under subsection (c), including any  
11 methods developed under such subsection.

12 **SEC. 405. IMPROVING CYBERSECURITY IN THE HEALTH**  
13 **CARE INDUSTRY.**

14 (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

15 (1) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-  
16 TEES.—The term “appropriate congressional com-  
17 mittees” means—

18 (A) the Committee on Health, Education,  
19 Labor, and Pensions, the Committee on Home-  
20 land Security and Governmental Affairs, and  
21 the Select Committee on Intelligence of the  
22 Senate; and

23 (B) the Committee on Energy and Com-  
24 merce, the Committee on Homeland Security,

1           and the Permanent Select Committee on Intel-  
2           ligence of the House of Representatives.

3           (2) BUSINESS ASSOCIATE.—The term “business  
4           associate” has the meaning given such term in sec-  
5           tion 160.103 of title 45, Code of Federal Regula-  
6           tions (as in effect on the day before the date of the  
7           enactment of this Act).

8           (3) COVERED ENTITY.—The term “covered en-  
9           tity” has the meaning given such term in section  
10          160.103 of title 45, Code of Federal Regulations (as  
11          in effect on the day before the date of the enactment  
12          of this Act).

13          (4) CYBERSECURITY THREAT; CYBER THREAT  
14          INDICATOR; DEFENSIVE MEASURE; FEDERAL ENTI-  
15          TY; NON-FEDERAL ENTITY; PRIVATE ENTITY.—The  
16          terms “cybersecurity threat”, “cyber threat indi-  
17          cator”, “defensive measure”, “Federal entity”,  
18          “non-Federal entity”, and “private entity” have the  
19          meanings given such terms in section 102 of this di-  
20          vision.

21          (5) HEALTH CARE CLEARINGHOUSE; HEALTH  
22          CARE PROVIDER; HEALTH PLAN.—The terms  
23          “health care clearinghouse”, “health care provider”,  
24          and “health plan” have the meanings given such  
25          terms in section 160.103 of title 45, Code of Federal

1 Regulations (as in effect on the day before the date  
2 of the enactment of this Act).

3 (6) HEALTH CARE INDUSTRY STAKEHOLDER.—

4 The term “health care industry stakeholder” means  
5 any—

6 (A) health plan, health care clearinghouse,  
7 or health care provider;

8 (B) advocate for patients or consumers;

9 (C) pharmacist;

10 (D) developer or vendor of health informa-  
11 tion technology;

12 (E) laboratory;

13 (F) pharmaceutical or medical device man-  
14 ufacturer; or

15 (G) additional stakeholder the Secretary  
16 determines necessary for purposes of subsection  
17 (b)(1), (c)(1), (c)(3), or (d)(1).

18 (7) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means  
19 the Secretary of Health and Human Services.

20 (b) REPORT.—

21 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after  
22 the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary  
23 shall submit to the Committee on Health, Edu-  
24 cation, Labor, and Pensions of the Senate and the  
25 Committee on Energy and Commerce of the House

1 of Representatives a report on the preparedness of  
2 the Department of Health and Human Services and  
3 health care industry stakeholders in responding to  
4 cybersecurity threats.

5 (2) CONTENTS OF REPORT.—With respect to  
6 the internal response of the Department of Health  
7 and Human Services to emerging cybersecurity  
8 threats, the report under paragraph (1) shall in-  
9 clude—

10 (A) a clear statement of the official within  
11 the Department of Health and Human Services  
12 to be responsible for leading and coordinating  
13 efforts of the Department regarding  
14 cybersecurity threats in the health care indus-  
15 try; and

16 (B) a plan from each relevant operating di-  
17 vision and subdivision of the Department of  
18 Health and Human Services on how such divi-  
19 sion or subdivision will address cybersecurity  
20 threats in the health care industry, including a  
21 clear delineation of how each such division or  
22 subdivision will divide responsibility among the  
23 personnel of such division or subdivision and  
24 communicate with other such divisions and sub-

1           divisions regarding efforts to address such  
2           threats.

3           (c) HEALTH CARE INDUSTRY CYBERSECURITY TASK  
4 FORCE.—

5           (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after  
6           the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary,  
7           in consultation with the Director of the National In-  
8           stitute of Standards and Technology and the Sec-  
9           retary of Homeland Security, shall convene health  
10          care industry stakeholders, cybersecurity experts,  
11          and any Federal agencies or entities the Secretary  
12          determines appropriate to establish a task force to—

13                (A) analyze how industries, other than the  
14                health care industry, have implemented strate-  
15                gies and safeguards for addressing  
16                cybersecurity threats within their respective in-  
17                dustries;

18                (B) analyze challenges and barriers private  
19                entities (excluding any State, tribal, or local  
20                government) in the health care industry face se-  
21                curing themselves against cyber attacks;

22                (C) review challenges that covered entities  
23                and business associates face in securing  
24                networked medical devices and other software

1 or systems that connect to an electronic health  
2 record;

3 (D) provide the Secretary with information  
4 to disseminate to health care industry stake-  
5 holders of all sizes for purposes of improving  
6 their preparedness for, and response to,  
7 cybersecurity threats affecting the health care  
8 industry;

9 (E) establish a plan for implementing title  
10 I of this division, so that the Federal Govern-  
11 ment and health care industry stakeholders may  
12 in real time, share actionable cyber threat indi-  
13 cators and defensive measures; and

14 (F) report to the appropriate congressional  
15 committees on the findings and recommenda-  
16 tions of the task force regarding carrying out  
17 subparagraphs (A) through (E).

18 (2) TERMINATION.—The task force established  
19 under this subsection shall terminate on the date  
20 that is 1 year after the date on which such task  
21 force is established.

22 (3) DISSEMINATION.—Not later than 60 days  
23 after the termination of the task force established  
24 under this subsection, the Secretary shall dissemi-  
25 nate the information described in paragraph (1)(D)

1 to health care industry stakeholders in accordance  
2 with such paragraph.

3 (d) ALIGNING HEALTH CARE INDUSTRY SECURITY  
4 APPROACHES.—

5 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall estab-  
6 lish, through a collaborative process with the Sec-  
7 retary of Homeland Security, health care industry  
8 stakeholders, the Director of the National Institute  
9 of Standards and Technology, and any Federal enti-  
10 ty or non-Federal entity the Secretary determines  
11 appropriate, a common set of voluntary, consensus-  
12 based, and industry-led guidelines, best practices,  
13 methodologies, procedures, and processes that—

14 (A) serve as a resource for cost-effectively  
15 reducing cybersecurity risks for a range of  
16 health care organizations;

17 (B) support voluntary adoption and imple-  
18 mentation efforts to improve safeguards to ad-  
19 dress cybersecurity threats;

20 (C) are consistent with—

21 (i) the standards, guidelines, best  
22 practices, methodologies, procedures, and  
23 processes developed under section 2(c)(15)  
24 of the National Institute of Standards and  
25 Technology Act (15 U.S.C. 272(c)(15));

1                   (ii) the security and privacy regula-  
2                   tions promulgated under section 264(e) of  
3                   the Health Insurance Portability and Ac-  
4                   countability Act of 1996 (42 U.S.C.  
5                   1320d–2 note); and

6                   (iii) the provisions of the Health In-  
7                   formation Technology for Economic and  
8                   Clinical Health Act (title XIII of division  
9                   A, and title IV of division B, of Public  
10                  Law 111–5), and the amendments made  
11                  by such Act; and

12                  (D) are updated on a regular basis and ap-  
13                  plicable to a range of health care organizations.

14                  (2) LIMITATION.—Nothing in this subsection  
15                  shall be interpreted as granting the Secretary au-  
16                  thority to—

17                         (A) provide for audits to ensure that  
18                         health care organizations are in compliance  
19                         with this subsection; or

20                         (B) mandate, direct, or condition the  
21                         award of any Federal grant, contract, or pur-  
22                         chase, on compliance with this subsection.

23                  (3) NO LIABILITY FOR NONPARTICIPATION.—  
24                  Nothing in this section shall be construed to subject  
25                  a health care industry stakeholder to liability for

1 choosing not to engage in the voluntary activities au-  
2 thorized or guidelines developed under this sub-  
3 section.

4 (e) INCORPORATING ONGOING ACTIVITIES.—In car-  
5 rying out the activities under this section, the Secretary  
6 may incorporate activities that are ongoing as of the day  
7 before the date of enactment of this Act and that are con-  
8 sistent with the objectives of this section.

9 (f) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this sec-  
10 tion shall be construed to limit the antitrust exemption  
11 under section 104(e) or the protection from liability under  
12 section 106.

13 **SEC. 406. FEDERAL COMPUTER SECURITY.**

14 (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

15 (1) COVERED SYSTEM.—The term “covered sys-  
16 tem” shall mean a national security system as de-  
17 fined in section 11103 of title 40, United States  
18 Code, or a Federal computer system that provides  
19 access to personally identifiable information.

20 (2) COVERED AGENCY.—The term “covered  
21 agency” means an agency that operates a covered  
22 system.

23 (3) LOGICAL ACCESS CONTROL.—The term  
24 “logical access control” means a process of granting