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To provide for an interagency cyber victim coordinator to respond to data breaches and other cyber attacks on Federal employees.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. BROWN of Maryland introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on _____

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 “Cyber Valuing Indi-
5 vidual Cybersecurity Through Interagency Measures Act”
6 or the “Cyber VICTIM Act”.

7 **SEC. 2. INTERAGENCY CYBER VICTIM RESPONSE.**

8 (a) INTERAGENCY CYBER VICTIM COORDINATOR.—

1 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 60 days after
2 the date of the enactment of this Act, the President
3 shall designate a Federal official to coordinate ef-
4 forts to respond to data breaches and other cyber at-
5 tacks on Federal employees. Such official shall have
6 the title of interagency cyber victim response coordi-
7 nator.

8 (2) DUTIES.—The coordinator designated
9 under paragraph (1) shall have the following duties:

10 (A) Coordinate activities of the Federal
11 Government relating to incidents of data
12 breaches in which the data of Federal employ-
13 ees, including social security numbers, personal
14 financial information, addresses, and other pri-
15 vate identifying information, has been com-
16 promised, to—

17 (i) ensure victims receive appropriate
18 response and assistance from the Federal
19 Government; and

20 (ii) ensure synchronization of intel-
21 ligence and responses among Federal law
22 enforcement agencies to incidents of cyber
23 attacks against Federal employees.

24 (B) Chair a interagency working group
25 consisting of appropriate personnel of the Fed-

1 eral Government with purview over response to
2 cyber attacks against Federal employees.

3 (C) Ensure sufficient representation of
4 each Federal agency and department at any
5 interagency working group established under
6 subparagraph (B).

7 (D) Develop processes and procedures to
8 keep victims informed of efforts to—

9 (i) mitigate damage from data
10 breaches; and

11 (ii) prosecute perpetrators.

12 (b) ANNUAL REPORT.—

13 (1) IN GENERAL.—On an annual basis, the Co-
14 ordinator shall submit to the appropriate congres-
15 sional committees a report that includes a summary
16 of each data breach described in subsection (a)(1)
17 that occurred during the year for which the report
18 is submitted.

19 (2) FORM OF REPORT.—Each report under
20 paragraph (1) may be submitted in classified or un-
21 classified form.

22 (c) COMPREHENSIVE PLAN TO ADDRESS CYBER AT-
23 TACKS.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the
24 enactment of this Act, the President shall develop a com-

1 prehensive plan for the United States response to data
2 breaches of personal information of Federal employees.

3 (d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section, the following defi-
4 nitions apply:

5 (1) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-
6 TEES.—The term “appropriate congressional com-
7 mittees” means—

8 (A) the Committee on Armed Services, the
9 Committee on the Judiciary, the Permanent Se-
10 lect Committee on Intelligence, and the Com-
11 mittee on Homeland Security of the House of
12 Representatives; and

13 (B) the Committee on Armed Services, the
14 Committee on the Judiciary, the Select Com-
15 mittee on Intelligence, and the Committee on
16 Homeland Security and Government Affairs of
17 the Senate.

18 (2) DATA BREACH.—The term “data breach”
19 means an unauthorized intrusion of a Federal data-
20 base resulting in a breach of personal information of
21 a Federal employee, including—

22 (A) the 2015 breaches of the Office of Per-
23 sonnel Management databases relating to back-
24 ground security checks and Federal employee
25 background information; and

1 (B) the November 2014 breach of the
2 United States Postal Service employee database
3 system.