

(1) coordinate with relevant Federal departments and agencies to establish processes and procedures necessary to develop and maintain ongoing coordinated plans for cyber defense operations;

(2) leverage cyber capabilities and authorities of participating Federal departments and agencies, as appropriate, in furtherance of plans for cyber defense operations;

(3) ensure that plans for cyber defense operations are, to the greatest extent practicable, developed in collaboration with relevant private sector entities, particularly in areas in which such entities have comparative advantages in limiting, mitigating, or defending against a cybersecurity risk or incident or coordinated, malicious cyber operation;

(4) ensure that plans for cyber defense operations, as appropriate, are responsive to potential adversary activity conducted in response to United States offensive cyber operations;

(5) facilitate the exercise of plans for cyber defense operations, including by developing and modeling scenarios based on an understanding of adversary threats to, vulnerability of, and potential consequences of disruption or compromise of critical infrastructure;

(6) coordinate with and, as necessary, support relevant Federal departments and agencies in the establishment of procedures, development of additional plans, including for offensive and intelligence activities in support of cyber defense operations, and creation of agreements necessary for the rapid execution of plans for cyber defense operations when a cybersecurity risk or incident or malicious cyber operation has been identified; and

(7) support public and private sector entities, as appropriate, in the execution of plans developed pursuant to this section.

**(c) Composition**

The Office shall be composed of—

- (1) a central planning staff; and
- (2) appropriate representatives of Federal departments and agencies, including—
  - (A) the Department;
  - (B) United States Cyber Command;
  - (C) the National Security Agency;
  - (D) the Federal Bureau of Investigation;
  - (E) the Department of Justice; and
  - (F) the Office of the Director of National Intelligence.

**(d) Consultation**

In carrying out its responsibilities described in subsection (b), the Office shall regularly consult with appropriate representatives of non-Federal entities, such as—

- (1) State, local, federally-recognized Tribal, and territorial governments;
- (2) information sharing and analysis organizations, including information sharing and analysis centers;
- (3) owners and operators of critical information systems;
- (4) private entities; and
- (5) other appropriate representatives or entities, as determined by the Secretary.

**(e) Interagency agreements**

The Secretary and the head of a Federal department or agency referred to in subsection (c)

may enter into agreements for the purpose of detailing personnel on a reimbursable or non-reimbursable basis.

**(f) Definitions**

In this section:

**(1) Cyber defense operation**

The term “cyber defense operation” means defensive activities performed for a cybersecurity purpose.

**(2) Cybersecurity purpose**

The term “cybersecurity purpose” has the meaning given such term in section 1501 of this title.

**(3) Cybersecurity risk; incident**

The terms “cybersecurity risk” and “incident” have the meanings given such terms in section 659 of this title.

**(4) Information sharing and analysis organization**

The term “information sharing and analysis organization” has the meaning given such term in section 671(5) of this title.

(Pub. L. 107-296, title XXII, §2215, as added Pub. L. 116-283, div. A, title XVII, §1715(a), Jan. 1, 2021, 134 Stat. 4092.)

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**CODIFICATION**

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**§ 665c. Cybersecurity State Coordinator**

**(a) Appointment**

The Director shall appoint an employee of the Agency in each State, with the appropriate cybersecurity qualifications and expertise, who shall serve as the Cybersecurity State Coordinator.

**(b) Duties**

The duties of a Cybersecurity State Coordinator appointed under subsection (a) shall include—

- (1) building strategic public and, on a voluntary basis, private sector relationships, including by advising on establishing governance structures to facilitate the development and maintenance of secure and resilient infrastructure;
- (2) serving as the Federal cybersecurity risk advisor and supporting preparation, response, and remediation efforts relating to cybersecurity risks and incidents;
- (3) facilitating the sharing of cyber threat information to improve understanding of cybersecurity risks and situational awareness of cybersecurity incidents;
- (4) raising awareness of the financial, technical, and operational resources available from the Federal Government to non-Federal entities to increase resilience against cyber threats;
- (5) supporting training, exercises, and planning for continuity of operations to expedite recovery from cybersecurity incidents, including ransomware;

(6) serving as a principal point of contact for non-Federal entities to engage, on a voluntary basis, with the Federal Government on preparing, managing, and responding to cybersecurity incidents;

(7) assisting non-Federal entities in developing and coordinating vulnerability disclosure programs consistent with Federal and information security industry standards;

(8) assisting State, local, Tribal, and territorial governments, on a voluntary basis, in the development of State cybersecurity plans;

(9) coordinating with appropriate officials within the Agency; and

(10) performing such other duties as determined necessary by the Director to achieve the goal of managing cybersecurity risks in the United States and reducing the impact of cyber threats to non-Federal entities.

### (c) Feedback

The Director shall consult with relevant State, local, Tribal, and territorial officials regarding the appointment, and State, local, Tribal, and territorial officials and other non-Federal entities regarding the performance, of the Cybersecurity State Coordinator of a State.

(Pub. L. 107-296, title XXII, § 2215, as added Pub. L. 116-283, div. A, title XVII, § 1717(a)(1)(B), Jan. 1, 2021, 134 Stat. 4099.)

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### Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

#### RULE OF CONSTRUCTION

Pub. L. 116-283, div. A, title XVII, § 1717(a)(4), Jan. 1, 2021, 134 Stat. 4100, provided that: “Nothing in this subsection [enacting this section, amending section 652 of this title, and enacting provisions set out as a note below] or the amendments made by this subsection may be construed to affect or otherwise modify the authority of Federal law enforcement agencies with respect to investigations relating to cybersecurity incidents.”

#### COORDINATION PLAN

Pub. L. 116-283, div. A, title XVII, § 1717(a)(2), Jan. 1, 2021, 134 Stat. 4100, provided that: “Not later than 60 days after the date of the enactment of this Act [Jan. 1, 2021], the Director of the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency of the Department of Homeland Security shall establish and submit to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs in the Senate and the Committee on Homeland Security in the House of Representatives a plan describing the reporting structure and coordination processes and procedures of Cybersecurity State Coordinators within the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency under section 2215 of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 [Pub. L. 107-296], as added by paragraph (1)(B) [6 U.S.C. 665c].”

### § 665d. Sector risk management agencies

#### (a) In general

Consistent with applicable law, Presidential directives, Federal regulations, and strategic guidance from the Secretary, each Sector Risk Management Agency, in coordination with the Director, shall—

(1) provide specialized sector-specific expertise to critical infrastructure owners and operators within its designated critical infrastructure sector or subsector of such sector; and

(2) support programs and associated activities of such sector or subsector of such sector.

#### (b) Implementation

In carrying out this section, Sector Risk Management Agencies shall—

(1) coordinate with the Department and, as appropriate, other relevant Federal departments and agencies;

(2) collaborate with critical infrastructure owners and operators within the designated critical infrastructure sector or subsector of such sector; and

(3) coordinate with independent regulatory agencies, and State, local, Tribal, and territorial entities, as appropriate.

#### (c) Responsibilities

Consistent with applicable law, Presidential directives, Federal regulations, and strategic guidance from the Secretary, each Sector Risk Management Agency shall utilize its specialized expertise regarding its designated critical infrastructure sector or subsector of such sector and authorities under applicable law to—

(1) support sector risk management, in coordination with the Director, including—

(A) establishing and carrying out programs to assist critical infrastructure owners and operators within the designated sector or subsector of such sector in identifying, understanding, and mitigating threats, vulnerabilities, and risks to their systems or assets, or within a region, sector, or subsector of such sector; and

(B) recommending security measures to mitigate the consequences of destruction, compromise, and disruption of systems and assets;

(2) assess sector risk, in coordination with the Director, including—

(A) identifying, assessing, and prioritizing risks within the designated sector or subsector of such sector, considering physical security and cybersecurity threats, vulnerabilities, and consequences; and

(B) supporting national risk assessment efforts led by the Department;

(3) sector coordination, including—

(A) serving as a day-to-day Federal interface for the prioritization and coordination of sector-specific activities and responsibilities under this title;

(B) serving as the Federal Government coordinating council chair for the designated sector or subsector of such sector; and

(C) participating in cross-sector coordinating councils, as appropriate;

(4) facilitating, in coordination with the Director, the sharing with the Department and other appropriate Federal department of information regarding physical security and cybersecurity threats within the designated sector or subsector of such sector, including—

(A) facilitating, in coordination with the Director, access to, and exchange of, infor-