

117TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

S. 4673

AN ACT

To reauthorize the National Computer Forensics Institute of the United States Secret Service, 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,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “National Computer
3 Forensics Institute Reauthorization Act of 2022”.

4 **SEC. 2. REAUTHORIZATION OF THE NATIONAL COMPUTER**
5 **FORENSICS INSTITUTE.**

6 Section 822 of the Homeland Security Act of 2002
7 (6 U.S.C. 383) is amended—

8 (1) in subsection (a)—

9 (A) in the first sentence, by striking “2017
10 through 2022” and inserting “2023 through
11 2028”; and

12 (B) by striking the second sentence;

13 (2) by striking subsection (b) and inserting the
14 following:

15 “(b) FUNCTIONS.—The Institute shall provide infor-
16 mation and training to any State, local, Tribal, or terri-
17 torial law enforcement officer, prosecutor, or judge, any
18 officer or employee of any agency in any branch of the
19 Federal Government, any member of the uniformed serv-
20 ices, or any State, local, Tribal, or territorial employee
21 who might reasonably assist in the investigation and pre-
22 vention of cyber and electronic crime and related threats,
23 on—

24 “(1) cyber and electronic crimes and related
25 threats;

1 “(2) methods for investigating cyber and elec-
2 tronic crime and related threats and conducting
3 computer and mobile device forensic examinations;

4 “(3) prosecutorial and judicial challenges re-
5 lated to cyber and electronic crime and related
6 threats, and computer and mobile device forensic ex-
7 aminations; and

8 “(4) methods to obtain, process, store, and
9 admit digital evidence in court.”;

10 (3) in subsection (c), by striking “State, local,
11 tribal, and territorial law enforcement officers and
12 prosecutors” and inserting “members and partners
13 of the network of Cyber Fraud Task Forces of the
14 United States Secret Service, and, when selecting
15 participants for the training specified in subsection
16 (b), the Institute shall prioritize, to the extent rea-
17 sonable and practicable, State, local, tribal, and ter-
18 ritorial law enforcement officers, prosecutors, judges,
19 and other employees.”;

20 (4) in subsection (d), by striking “State, local,
21 tribal and territorial law enforcement officers” and
22 inserting “the individuals listed in subsection (b)”;

23 (5) in subsection (e)—

1 (A) in the subsection heading, by striking
2 “**ELECTRONIC CRIME**” and inserting
3 “**CYBER FRAUD**”;

4 (B) by striking “Electronic Crime” and in-
5 serting “Cyber Fraud”; and

6 (C) by striking “State, local, tribal, and
7 territorial”; and

8 (6) by adding at the end the following:

9 “(g) EXPENSES.—The Director of the United States
10 Secret Service may pay for all or a part of the necessary
11 expenses of the training and information provided by the
12 Institute under subsection (b), including travel, transpor-
13 tation, and subsistence expenses for recipients of the infor-
14 mation and training.

15 “(h) ANNUAL REPORTS TO CONGRESS.—

16 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall include
17 in the annual report required under section 1116 of
18 title 31, United States Code, information regarding
19 the activities of the Institute, including, where pos-
20 sible—

21 “(A) an identification of jurisdictions with
22 recipients of the education and training pro-
23 vided pursuant to subsection (b) during such
24 year;

1 “(B) information relating to the costs as-
2 sociated with that education and training;

3 “(C) any information regarding projected
4 future demand for the education and training
5 provided pursuant to subsection (b);

6 “(D) impacts of the activities of the Insti-
7 tute on the capability of jurisdictions to inves-
8 tigate and prevent cybersecurity incidents, elec-
9 tronic crimes, and related cybersecurity threats;

10 “(E) a description of the nomination proc-
11 ess for potential recipients of the information
12 and training provided pursuant to subsection
13 (b); and

14 “(F) any other issues determined to be rel-
15 evant by the Secretary.

16 “(2) EXCEPTION.—Any information required
17 under paragraph (1) that is submitted as part of the
18 annual budget submitted by the President to Con-
19 gress under section 1105 of title 31, United States

1 Code, is not required to be included in the report de-
2 scribed in paragraph (1).”.

Passed the Senate September 27, 2022.

Attest:

Secretary.

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