

# 6 U.S.C. § 652

Section 652 - Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency

## (a) Redesignation

### (1) In general

The National Protection and Programs Directorate of the [Department](#) shall, on and after November 16, 2018, be known as the "Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security [Agency](#)" (in this part referred to as the "[Agency](#)").

### (2) References

Any reference to the National Protection and Programs Directorate of the [Department](#) in any law, regulation, map, document, record, or other paper of the United States shall be deemed to be a reference to the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security [Agency](#) of the [Department](#).

## (b) Director

### (1) In general

The [Agency](#) shall be headed by a Director of Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security (in this part referred to as the "Director"), who shall report to the [Secretary](#).

### (2) Reference

Any reference to an Under [Secretary](#) responsible for overseeing critical infrastructure protection, cybersecurity, and any other related program of the [Department](#) as described in section 113(a)(1)(H) of this title as in effect on the day before November 16, 2018, in any law, regulation, map, document, record, or other paper of the United States shall be deemed to be a reference to the Director of Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security of the [Department](#).

## (c) Responsibilities

The Director shall-

(1) lead cybersecurity and critical infrastructure security programs, operations, and associated policy for the [Agency](#), including national cybersecurity asset response activities;

(2) coordinate with Federal entities, including Sector-Specific Agencies, and non-Federal entities, including international entities, to carry out the cybersecurity and critical infrastructure activities of the [Agency](#), as appropriate;

(3) carry out the responsibilities of the [Secretary](#) to secure Federal information and information systems consistent with law, including subchapter II of chapter 35 of title 44 and the Cybersecurity Act of 2015 (contained in division N of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2016 ( Public Law 114-113));

(4) coordinate a national effort to secure and protect against critical infrastructure risks, consistent with subsection (e)(1)(E);

(5) upon request, provide analyses, expertise, and other technical assistance to critical infrastructure owners and operators and, where appropriate, provide those analyses, expertise, and other technical assistance in coordination with Sector-Specific Agencies and other Federal departments and agencies;

(6) develop and utilize mechanisms for active and frequent collaboration between the [Agency](#) and Sector-Specific Agencies to ensure appropriate coordination, situational awareness, and communications with Sector-Specific Agencies;

(7) maintain and utilize mechanisms for the regular and ongoing consultation and collaboration among the Divisions of the [Agency](#) to further operational coordination, integrated situational awareness, and improved integration across the [Agency](#) in accordance with this chapter;

(8) develop, coordinate, and implement-

(A) comprehensive strategic plans for the activities of the [Agency](#); and

(B) risk assessments by and for the [Agency](#);

(9) carry out emergency communications responsibilities, in accordance with subchapter XIII;

(10) carry out cybersecurity, infrastructure security, and emergency communications stakeholder outreach and engagement and coordinate that outreach and engagement with critical infrastructure Sector-Specific Agencies, as appropriate; and

(11) carry out such other duties and powers prescribed by law or delegated by the [Secretary](#).

**(d) Deputy Director**

There shall be in the [Agency](#) a Deputy Director of Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security who shall-

(1) assist the Director in the management of the [Agency](#); and

(2) report to the Director.

**(e) Cybersecurity and infrastructure security authorities of the [Secretary](#)**

**(1) In general**

The responsibilities of the [Secretary](#) relating to cybersecurity and infrastructure security shall include the following:

(A) To access, receive, and analyze law enforcement information, intelligence information, and other information from Federal Government agencies, [State](#), local, tribal, and territorial government agencies, including law enforcement agencies, and

private sector entities, and to integrate that information, in support of the mission responsibilities of the [Department](#), in order to-

- (i) identify and assess the nature and scope of terrorist threats to the homeland;
- (ii) detect and identify threats of [terrorism](#) against the United States; and
- (iii) understand those threats in light of actual and potential vulnerabilities of the homeland.

**(B)** To carry out comprehensive assessments of the vulnerabilities of the [key resources](#) and critical infrastructure of the United States, including the performance of risk assessments to determine the risks posed by particular types of terrorist attacks within the United States, including an assessment of the probability of success of those attacks and the feasibility and potential efficacy of various countermeasures to those attacks. At the discretion of the [Secretary](#), such assessments may be carried out in coordination with Sector-Specific Agencies.

**(C)** To integrate relevant information, analysis, and vulnerability assessments, regardless of whether the information, analysis, or assessments are provided or produced by the [Department](#), in order to make recommendations, including prioritization, for protective and support measures by the [Department](#), other Federal Government agencies, [State](#), local, tribal, and territorial government agencies and authorities, the private sector, and other entities regarding terrorist and other threats to homeland security.

**(D)** To ensure, pursuant to section 122 of this title, the timely and efficient access by the [Department](#) to all information necessary to discharge the responsibilities under this subchapter, including obtaining that information from other Federal Government agencies.

**(E)** To develop, in coordination with the Sector-Specific Agencies with available expertise, a comprehensive national plan for securing the [key resources](#) and critical infrastructure of the United States, including power production, generation, and distribution systems, information technology and telecommunications systems (including satellites), electronic financial and property record storage and transmission systems, emergency communications systems, and the physical and technological [assets](#) that support those systems.

**(F)** To recommend measures necessary to protect the [key resources](#) and critical infrastructure of the United States in coordination with other Federal Government agencies, including Sector-Specific Agencies, and in cooperation with [State](#), local, tribal, and territorial government agencies and authorities, the private sector, and other entities.

**(G)** To review, analyze, and make recommendations for improvements to the policies and procedures governing the sharing of information relating to homeland security

within the Federal Government and between Federal Government agencies and [State](#), local, tribal, and territorial government agencies and authorities.

**(H)** To disseminate, as appropriate, information analyzed by the [Department](#) within the [Department](#) to other Federal Government agencies with responsibilities relating to homeland security and to [State](#), local, tribal, and territorial government agencies and private sector entities with those responsibilities in order to assist in the deterrence, prevention, or preemption of, or response to, terrorist attacks against the United States.

**(I)** To consult with [State](#), local, tribal, and territorial government agencies and private sector entities to ensure appropriate exchanges of information, including law enforcement-related information, relating to threats of [terrorism](#) against the United States.

**(J)** To ensure that any material received pursuant to this chapter is protected from unauthorized disclosure and handled and used only for the performance of official duties.

**(K)** To request additional information from other Federal Government agencies, [State](#), local, tribal, and territorial government agencies, and the private sector relating to threats of [terrorism](#) in the United States, or relating to other areas of responsibility assigned by the [Secretary](#), including the entry into cooperative agreements through the [Secretary](#) to obtain such information.

**(L)** To establish and utilize, in conjunction with the Chief Information Officer of the [Department](#), a secure communications and information technology infrastructure, including data-mining and other advanced analytical tools, in order to access, receive, and analyze data and information in furtherance of the responsibilities under this section, and to disseminate information acquired and analyzed by the [Department](#), as appropriate.

**(M)** To coordinate training and other support to the elements and [personnel](#) of the [Department](#), other Federal Government agencies, and [State](#), local, tribal, and territorial government agencies that provide information to the [Department](#), or are consumers of information provided by the [Department](#), in order to facilitate the identification and sharing of information revealed in their ordinary duties and the optimal utilization of information received from the [Department](#).

**(N)** To coordinate with Federal, [State](#), local, tribal, and territorial law enforcement agencies, and the private sector, as appropriate.

**(O)** To exercise the authorities and oversight of the [functions](#), [personnel](#), [assets](#), and liabilities of those components transferred to the [Department](#) pursuant to section 121(g) of this title.

**(P)** To carry out the [functions](#) of the national cybersecurity and communications integration center under section 659 of this title.

**(Q)** To carry out the requirements of the Chemical Facility Anti-**Terrorism** Standards Program established under subchapter XVI and the secure handling of ammonium nitrate program established under part J of subchapter VIII, or any successor programs.

**(2) Reallocation**

The **Secretary** may reallocate within the **Agency** the **functions** specified in sections 653(b) and 654(b) of this title, consistent with the responsibilities provided in paragraph (1), upon certifying to and briefing the appropriate congressional committees, and making available to the public, at least 60 days prior to the reallocation that the reallocation is necessary for carrying out the activities of the **Agency**.

**(3) Staff**

**(A) In general**

The **Secretary** shall provide the **Agency** with a staff of analysts having appropriate expertise and experience to assist the **Agency** in discharging the responsibilities of the **Agency** under this section.

**(B) Private sector analysts**

Analysts under this subsection may include analysts from the private sector.

**(C) Security clearances**

Analysts under this subsection shall possess security clearances appropriate for their work under this section.

**(4) Detail of personnel**

**(A) In general**

In order to assist the **Agency** in discharging the responsibilities of the **Agency** under this section, **personnel** of the Federal agencies described in subparagraph (B) may be detailed to the **Agency** for the performance of analytic **functions** and related duties.

**(B) Agencies**

The Federal agencies described in this subparagraph are-

- (i) the **Department** of **State**;
- (ii) the Central Intelligence **Agency**;
- (iii) the Federal Bureau of Investigation;
- (iv) the National Security **Agency**;
- (v) the National Geospatial-Intelligence **Agency**;
- (vi) the Defense Intelligence **Agency**;
- (vii) Sector-Specific Agencies; and
- (viii) any other **agency** of the Federal Government that the President considers appropriate.

**(C) Interagency agreements**

The [Secretary](#) and the head of a Federal [agency](#) described in subparagraph (B) may enter into agreements for the purpose of detailing [personnel](#) under this paragraph.

**(D) Basis**

The detail of [personnel](#) under this paragraph may be on a reimbursable or non-reimbursable basis.

**(f) Composition**

The [Agency](#) shall be composed of the following divisions:

- (1) The Cybersecurity Division, headed by an Assistant Director.
- (2) The Infrastructure Security Division, headed by an Assistant Director.
- (3) The Emergency Communications Division under subchapter XIII, headed by an Assistant Director.

**(g) Co-location**

**(1) In general**

To the maximum extent practicable, the Director shall examine the establishment of central locations in geographical regions with a significant [Agency](#) presence.

**(2) Coordination**

When establishing the central locations described in paragraph (1), the Director shall coordinate with component heads and the Under [Secretary](#) for Management to co-locate or partner on any new real property leases, renewing any occupancy agreements for existing leases, or agreeing to extend or newly occupy any Federal space or new construction.

**(h) Privacy**

**(1) In general**

There shall be a Privacy Officer of the [Agency](#) with primary responsibility for privacy policy and compliance for the [Agency](#).

**(2) Responsibilities**

The responsibilities of the Privacy Officer of the [Agency](#) shall include-

- (A) assuring that the use of technologies by the [Agency](#) sustain, and do not erode, privacy protections relating to the use, collection, and disclosure of personal information;
- (B) assuring that personal information contained in systems of records of the [Agency](#) is handled in full compliance as specified in section 552a of title 5 (commonly known as the "Privacy Act of 1974");
- (C) evaluating legislative and regulatory proposals involving collection, use, and disclosure of personal information by the [Agency](#); and

(D) conducting a privacy impact assessment of proposed rules of the [Agency](#) on the privacy of personal information, including the type of personal information collected and the number of people affected.

**(i) Savings**

Nothing in this subchapter may be construed as affecting in any manner the authority, existing on the day before November 16, 2018, of any other component of the [Department](#) or any other Federal [department](#) or [agency](#), including the authority provided to the Sector-Specific [Agency](#) specified in section 61003(c) of division F of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act ( 6 U.S.C. 121 note; Public Law 114-94).

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*REFERENCES IN TEXT*The Cybersecurity Act of 2015, referred to in subsec. (c)(3), is div. N of Pub. L. 114-113, 129 Stat. 2935. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 1501 of this title and Tables. This chapter, referred to in subsecs. (c)(7) and (e)(1)(J), was in the original "this Act", meaning Pub. L. 107-296, 116 Stat. 2135, known as the Homeland Security Act of 2002, which is classified principally to this chapter. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 101 of this title and Tables.

**UNDER [SECRETARY](#) RESPONSIBLE FOR OVERSEEING CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE PROTECTION, CYBERSECURITY AND RELATED PROGRAMS AUTHORIZED TO SERVE AS DIRECTOR OF CYBERSECURITY AND INFRASTRUCTURE SECURITY**Pub. L. 115-278, §2(b)(1), Nov. 16, 2018, 132 Stat. 4175, provided that: "The individual serving as the Under [Secretary](#) appointed pursuant to section 103(a)(1)(H) of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 ( 6 U.S.C. 113(a)(1)(H) ) of the [Department](#) of Homeland Security on the day before the date of enactment of this Act [Nov. 16, 2018] may continue to serve as the Director of Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security of the [Department](#) on and after such date."