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**SYNOPSIS**

Requires certain State employees to receive training in cybersecurity best practices.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



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1 AN ACT concerning State cybersecurity and supplementing Title 52  
2 of the Revised Statutes.

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4 **BE IT ENACTED** *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*  
5 *of New Jersey:*

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7 1. As used in this act:

8 a. "State agency" means any of the principal departments in the  
9 Executive Branch of the State Government, and any division, board,  
10 bureau, office, commission or other instrumentality within or  
11 created by such department, the Legislature of the State and any  
12 office, board, bureau or commission within or created by the  
13 Legislative Branch, and, to the extent consistent with law, any  
14 interstate agency to which New Jersey is a party and any  
15 independent State authority, commission, instrumentality or agency.  
16 A county or municipality shall not be deemed an agency or  
17 instrumentality of the State.

18 b. "State employee" means any person holding an office or  
19 employment in a State agency, including a member of the  
20 Legislature.

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22 2. Every State employee who has access to a State agency  
23 computer shall annually undergo cybersecurity training  
24 incorporating best practices as presented by the New Jersey  
25 Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Cell, established  
26 pursuant to Executive Order No. 178 (2015) in the New Jersey  
27 Office of Homeland Security and Preparedness. The office may, in  
28 its discretion, make the training available as an online course. The  
29 training shall include, but need not be limited to, updating  
30 passwords; detecting phishing scams; preventing ransomware,  
31 spyware infections, and identity theft; and preventing and  
32 responding to data breaches.

33 The Director of the Office of Homeland Security and  
34 Preparedness shall adopt guidelines to implement the requirements  
35 of this section.

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37 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

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STATEMENT

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42 This bill requires State employees to receive training regarding  
43 using best safety practices while utilizing State computers.

44 The bill requires the New Jersey Cybersecurity and  
45 Communications Integration Cell (NJCCIC) in the New Jersey  
46 Office of Homeland Security and Preparedness, to establish the  
47 cybersecurity training program for all State employees in the  
48 Executive and Legislative Branch of government who have access

1 to a State computer. The bill requires the Director of the Office of  
2 Homeland Security and Preparedness to adopt guidelines to  
3 implement the program.

4 The training should include a review of best practices for using  
5 State computers including updating passwords; detecting phishing  
6 scams; preventing ransomware, spyware infections, and identity  
7 theft; and preventing and responding to data breaches.

8 The NJCCIC provides cybersecurity information sharing, threat  
9 analysis, and incident reporting. Located at the Regional Operations  
10 Intelligence Center (ROIC), the NJCCIC promotes Statewide  
11 awareness of local cyber threats and widespread adoption of best  
12 practices.

13 Cybersecurity is a growing concern for State government and the  
14 private sector. It has enormous implications for government  
15 security, economic prosperity, and public safety.