

What They're Saying About CISPA

See what cyber industry business and associations have to say about the bipartisan 'Cyber Intelligence Sharing and Protection Act'.

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"This is a national security issue so there are a number of members that are going to be naturally inclined to support it,"

(Quoted in Politico on April 20, 2012)

**Michelle Richardson
Legislative Counsel
ACLU DC office**

"TechAmerica's website was the target of a serious and sustained denial-of-service attack last week. . . we remain steadfast in our support of the bill and its goals. The inability to share information is one of the greatest challenges to collective efforts toward improving our cybersecurity, and we appreciate the efforts of you and your colleagues to remove those barriers in order to foster better information sharing between the government and the private sector."

**Shawn Osborne
President and CEO
TechAmerica**

"The barriers to threat-sharing, if resolved, will open the door to a new era of innovation in cybersecurity solutions and jobs. Cybersecurity is a top priority of our membership and, as such, we have been strong advocates of improvements in the current threat-sharing processes." "We commend you on this bill as amended, and are pleased to support its passage."

**Jim Wunderman
President & CEO**

Bay Area Council

“The United States’ information technology (IT) industry is the strongest in the world, driving economic growth, creating new businesses, generating jobs, and improving our national security. Cybersecurity innovation must outpace malicious cyber threat advancement.”

“We urge you to pass legislation on the following issues that would make substantial improvements to cybersecurity”

- The Information Technology Industry Council**
- Bay Area Council**
- Computing Technology Industry Association**
- CTIA - The Wireless Association**
- Internet Security Alliance**
- Semiconductor Industry Association**
- Silicon Valley Leadership Group**
- Software & Information Industry Association**
- Technology CEO Council**
- Telecommunications Industry Association**

“As cyberthreats have become more sophisticated, the need for government and private sector entities to share actionable, real-time information about attacks, threats and defensive strategies with the right people is more important than ever.”

“Your legislation is an important step forward in removing the barriers and disincentives that can prevent the kind of information sharing that is most effective in combating cyberattacks.”

Rey Ramsey
President and CEO
TechNet

“H.R. 3523, the ‘Cyber Intelligence Sharing and Protection Act,’ is a significant step forward in creating the culture of trust and information sharing that’s needed to strengthen protective measures across the 18 critical infrastructure sectors. We

appreciate the efforts of Chairman Mike Rogers, Ranking Member Dutch Ruppersberger, and the House leadership in highlighting this important issue.”

- The North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC)**
- Edison Electric Institute (EEI)**
- American Public Power Association (APPA)**
- ELCON**
- Electric Power Supply Association (EPSA)**
- LPPC**
- National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA)**
- TAPS**
- Utilities Telecom Council (UTC)**
- National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC)**

“The U.S. Chamber of Commerce, the world’s largest business federation representing the interests of more than three million businesses and organizations of every size, sector, and region, supports the “Cyber Intelligence Sharing and Protection Act of 2011”, which would be an important step in assisting the nation’s public and private sectors to prevent, deter, and mitigate the array of cyber threats from illicit actors without imposing burdensome regulations on industry.”

R. Bruce Josten
Executive Vice President, Government Affairs
U.S. Chamber of Commerce

“The ‘Cyber Intelligence Sharing and Protection Act of 2011’ provides a solid framework and useful legal protections to permit the timely flow of actionable threat information in order for organizations to better protect themselves and customers.”

Christopher Padilla
Vice President governmental Programs
IBM

“The sharing of cyber threat and attack information is an essential component of an effective cyber-defense strategy, and the legislation helps to provide greater clarity for private sector entities.”

Tim McKone
Executive Vice President, Federal Relations
AT&T

“There is a critical role for government in securing cyberspace, and today’s bill sets forth a path that would enable government and network providers to better share information in real time, while relying on market incentives to drive continuous improvement and innovation in cybersecurity.”

Walter B. McCormick Jr.
President & CEO
UStelecom

“Verizon supports the “Cyber Intelligence Sharing and Protection Act of 2011” and applauds its sponsors for taking a focused approach to enhancing our national cybersecurity-defense capabilities.”

Peter Davidson
Senior Vice President for Federal Government Relations
Verizon

“This legislation will protect both our national security and our customers and has the strong support of the nation’s cable, telephone and wireless industries.”

Michael Powell
President & CEO
National Cable & Telecommunications Association

“Enactment of this sort of legislation will contribute significantly to the expansion of sound cybersecurity practices.”

“Your legislation will promote the sort of public-private partnership that will be necessary to defeat those intent on gaining unauthorized access to public and private sector networks.”

Steve Largent
President & CEO
CTIA - The Wireless Association

“On behalf of Microsoft, I want to commend Intelligence Committee Chairman Mike Rogers and Ranking Member Dutch Ruppersberger for the introduction of the Cyber Intelligence Sharing and Protection Act of 2011.”

“...this bill is an important first step towards addressing significant problems in cyber security.”

Fred Humphries
Vice President, U.S. Government Affairs
Microsoft Corporation

“This bill provides important updates and clarifications of the US Code that will facilitate and increase cyber intelligence information sharing within the private and public sectors.”

“This legislation will modify current constraining rules to allow for improved information sharing, which is essential to the continued protection of the cyber ecosystem.”

Steve Bartlett Paul Smocer
President and CEO

**The Financial Services Roundtable BITS, The Technology Policy Division
The Financial Services Roundtable**

“We believe that this bi-partisan legislation will help advance the sharing of threat intelligence and actionable information that can assist organizations in addressing advanced cyber attacks.”

“...this legislation, if enacted, will be an important step forward in creating more effective ecosystems between the public and private sector to improve our nation’s cyber security posture.”

Art Coviello David Martin
EVP & Executive Chairman of RSA VP & Chief Security Officer
EMC Corporation EMC Corporation

“ITTA applauds House Intelligence Chairman Mike Rogers and Ranking Member Dutch Ruppersberger for moving aggressively on legislation to tackle daily threats to the nation’s broadband networks”

“...absent the ability for private network owners and the government to exchange intelligence on cyber threats, our national security and economic well-being will remain vulnerable to attack.”

Genny Morelli
President
Independent Telephone & Telecommunications Alliance (ITTA)

“Because of its importance, we hope this legislation can be acted upon quickly. Passage of this legislation will truly be a significant step forward to help protect American companies from these evolving challenges.”

James W. Sheaffer
President, North American Public Sector
CSC

“The framework proposed in the “Cyber Intelligence Sharing and Protection Act of 2011” will move industry and government in the right direction on sharing timely and actionable information to protect ourselves from cyber attacks.”

“...we applaud the effort that has been put forward by you and your staff in support of this long-time, critical goal by the private sector to enhance information sharing efforts with the U.S. government on cyber threats.”

Kevin Richards
Senior Vice President
Federal Government Affairs
TechAmerica

“The Association admires your bi-partisan approach to policy and legislation, as well as your strategy of proposing a bill which is tightly focused on a critical issue, sharing threat data which can be readily used by companies who need to counter Cyber attacks.”

Richard Coleman
Chairman & President
Cyber, Space & Intelligence Association