

114TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 4361

To amend section 3554 of title 44, United States Code, to provide for enhanced security of Federal information systems, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 11, 2016

Mr. PALMER introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “The Federal Informa-
5 tion Systems Safeguards Act of 2016”.

6 **SEC. 2. AGENCY DISCRETION TO SECURE INFORMATION**
7 **TECHNOLOGY AND INFORMATION SYSTEMS.**

8 Section 3554 of title 44, United States Code, is
9 amended by adding at the end the following new sub-
10 section:

1 “(f) AGENCY DISCRETION.—The head of each agency
2 has the sole and exclusive authority, with respect to any
3 information technology or information system under the
4 control of such agency—

5 “(1) to take any action the agency determines
6 to be necessary to reduce or eliminate security weak-
7 ness and risk, including to protect the information
8 contained in the information technology or informa-
9 tion system; and

10 “(2) to take any action the agency determines
11 to be necessary to reduce or eliminate future secu-
12 rity weakness and risk, including to protect the in-
13 formation contained in the information technology or
14 information system.”.

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