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CONCERNING MEASURES TO ENHANCE CYBERSECURITY, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, add part 19 to article 33.5 of title 24 as follows:

PART 19
COLORADO CYBERSECURITY

24-33.5-1901. Legislative declaration. (1) The General
ASSEMBLY HEREBY FINDS AND DECLARES THAT:

(a) Cyber threats have continued to grow in significance, scale, scope, and sophistication in the past several years;

(b) A dramatic increase in the number of cyber attacks against public, private, and nonprofit entities and individual citizens, coupled with inadequate resources to respond to such attacks, have made cybersecurity a top priority;

(c) Colorado is well-suited to serve as a location for comprehensive cross-sector and interstate strategy to support the response against these attacks and the education and training needed to prepare government and private sector leaders to respond to these attacks;

(d) It is in the state's interest to support a partnership of academics and systems excellence at the University of Colorado at Colorado Springs and other institutions of higher education that can leverage the military, federal, state, and local government, and private sector assets in Colorado to support the cybersecurity of our state and local governments and to support the cybersecurity of federal partners and other states and local governments across the country; and

(e) It is also in the state's interest to support such a partnership as a tool to ensure that Colorado's private sector is better prepared to respond to threats and in turn make Colorado a stronger hub for the cyber industry and the commercialization of cyber technology.

(2) The general assembly further finds and declares that the intent of this part 19 is to identify specific actions to define and improve cybersecurity, including the creation of a Colorado cybersecurity council, coordinating cyber operations centers, establishing or expanding cyber higher education programs to promote education, training, and workforce development for cybersecurity, establishing a secure environment for research and development, and establishing a revenue source to support such efforts.

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24-33.5-1902. Colorado cybersecurity council - creation - council members. (1) There is created in the Department of Public Safety and within existing resources the Colorado cybersecurity council. The council operates as a steering group to develop cybersecurity policy guidance for the Governor; develop comprehensive sets of prioritized goals, requirements, initiatives, and milestones; and coordinate with the General Assembly and the Judicial Branch regarding cybersecurity as deemed necessary and appropriate by the Council.

(2) The Colorado cybersecurity council is comprised of the following members:

(a) The Governor, acting as the Chairperson of the Council, or the Governor's designee;

(b) The chief information officer of the Governor's Office of Information Technology, or the chief information officer's designee;

(c) The chief information security officer of the Governor's Office of Information Technology, or the chief information security officer's designee;

(d) The executive director of the Department of Public Safety, or the executive director's designee;

(e) A representative of the Colorado National Guard to be appointed by the Adjutant General of the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs;

(f) The Adjutant General of the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs;

(g) The director of the Colorado Office of Economic Development, or the director's designee;

(h) The aerospace and defense industry champion in the Colorado Office of Economic Development;

(i) The director of the Governor's Office of State Planning
AND BUDGETING, OR THE DIRECTOR'S DESIGNEE;

(j)_the executive director of the department of revenue, or the executive director's designee;

(k) the state controller;

(l) the state attorney general, or the attorney general's designee;

(m) the director of the public utilities commission or the director's designee;

(n) representatives from institutions of higher education deemed necessary and appropriate by the governor;

(o) the state auditor, or the state auditor's designee; except that the state auditor or the state auditor's designee shall be a nonvoting member of the council and shall act solely in an advisory capacity with respect to the council's activities;

(p) the chair of the cybersecurity subcommittee of the homeland security and all-hazards senior advisory committee;

(q) the director of the division of homeland security and emergency management in the department of public safety, or the director's designee; and

(r) any other person deemed necessary and appropriate by the governor.

(3) The council does not have any direct authority over the university of Colorado at Colorado Springs.

(4) Nothing in this section shall be construed to interfere with the duties of the chief information security officer pursuant to part 4 of article 37.5 of this title.

24-33.5-1903. Cyber operation center - coordination of missions. (1) The department of public safety, using the office of

(2) IN FURTHERANCE OF THE PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION, THE COORDINATING ENTITIES MAY:

(a) CONSIDER ESTABLISHING APPROPRIATE MEMORANDA OF UNDERSTANDING OR INTERSTATE COMPACTS WITH ENTITIES THAT ENCOURAGE THE INTERSTATE SHARING OF INFORMATION FOR CYBERSECURITY;

(b) SUPPORT THE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE FUSION OF CYBER DEFENSE, CYBER SURVEILLANCE, AND INTERNATIONAL AND DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT OPERATIONS;

(c) CONSIDER SECURE, DISTRIBUTED, AND INTERACTIVE NETWORK INFRASTRUCTURES FOR INTERSTATE CYBER TRAINING AND OPERATIONS;

(d) SUPPORT SECURE COLORADO REQUIREMENTS TO IDENTIFY THREATS AND VULNERABILITIES AND PROTECT STATE CYBER INFRASTRUCTURES;

(e) CONDUCT TRAINING, INSPECTIONS, AND OPERATIONAL EXERCISES;

(f) ESTABLISH PROTOCOLS FOR COORDINATING AND SHARING INFORMATION WITH STATE AND FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AND INTELLIGENCE AGENCIES RESPONSIBLE FOR INVESTIGATING AND COLLECTING INFORMATION RELATED TO CYBER-BASED CRIMINAL AND NATIONAL SECURITY THREATS; AND

(g) SUPPORT STATE AND FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES
WITH THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES TO INVESTIGATE AND PROSECUTE THREATS TO AND ATTACKS AGAINST CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE.

24-33.5-1904. Education - training - workforce development.
(1) The University of Colorado at Colorado Springs may partner with other institutions of higher education and a nonprofit organization that supports national, state, and regional cybersecurity initiatives to establish and expand cyber higher education programs and establish needed cyber education and training laboratories. The subject areas of such higher education programs may include, but need not be limited to, courses certified by the National Security Agency and the United States Department of Homeland Security; a systems engineering approach to the study of cyber network architectures, threats, and defenses; business management; foreign language skills; legal issues; cryptology; technology development; and science, technology, engineering, and mathematics courses.

(2) In furtherance of the provisions of subsection (1) of this section, the University of Colorado at Colorado Springs, in conjunction with other institutions of higher education and a nonprofit organization, may:

(a) Coordinate with the United States Department of Homeland Security and the National Security Agency to certify cyber courses and curricula;

(b) Coordinate planning for cyber education with appropriate institutions of higher education in Colorado, the United States Army Reserve Cyber Consortium, and appropriate national institutions of higher education that have programs certified by the Department of Homeland Security or the National Security Agency;

(c) Coordinate with community colleges in the development and transferability of appropriate curriculum and technical certification programs, and provide coordination for the development of elementary and secondary education feeder programs;

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(d) **Establish a public policy think tank as an academic research center of excellence for government, academic, and industrial communications, conferences, research, and publications;**

(e) **Establish education, including online courses if appropriate, training, and academic symposia for government leaders at all levels;**

(f) **Establish protocols for coordinating and sharing information with state and federal law enforcement and intelligence agencies responsible for investigating and collecting information related to cyber-based criminal and national security threats; and**

(g) **Support state and federal law enforcement agencies with their responsibilities to investigate and prosecute threats to and attacks against critical infrastructure.**

(3) The University of Colorado at Colorado Springs shall participate in activities in furtherance of this section only upon the approval of the board of regents of the University of Colorado, if required by the laws and policies of the board of regents.

**24-33.5-1905. Research and development.** (1) **The University of Colorado at Colorado Springs may partner with a nonprofit organization that supports national, state, and regional cybersecurity initiatives to work to establish a secure environment for research and development, initial operational testing and evaluation, and expedited contracting for production for industrial cyber products and techniques.**

(2) **In furtherance of the provisions of subsection (1) of this section, the University of Colorado at Colorado Springs and any nonprofit organization with which the university has a partnership, may consider the following:**

(a) **Creating a business plan to develop a secure facility on the property of the University of Colorado at Colorado Springs.**
THAT PROVIDES PHYSICAL, ELECTRONIC, PROPRIETARY, AND ADMINISTRATIVE SECURITY;

(b) EXPLORING SECURE FACILITY DEVELOPMENT AND USE AT OTHER COLORADO UNIVERSITIES AND FACILITIES THAT MAY AUGMENT THE CAPACITY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO AT COLORADO SPRINGS AND ENABLE COLLABORATIVE ACTIVITIES;

(c) ESTABLISHING RELATIONSHIPS WITH APPROPRIATE FEDERALLY FUNDED RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATIONS UNDER THE SPONSORSHIP OF THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE AND THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY AS AN ADMINISTRATIVE PARTNER TO:

(I) ESTABLISH AND CERTIFY A TOP SECRET AND SPECIAL ACCESS-CERTIFIED FACILITY;

(II) ESTABLISH COOPERATIVE RELATIONS WITH STATE AND FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AND INTELLIGENCE AGENCIES RESPONSIBLE FOR INVESTIGATING AND COLLECTING INFORMATION RELATED TO CYBER-BASED CRIMINAL AND NATIONAL SECURITY THREATS;

(III) ACT AS A CONDUIT FOR FEDERAL AND INTERSTATE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT REQUIREMENTS;

(IV) ESTABLISH AND MONITOR NONDISCLOSURE AGREEMENTS TO PROTECT PROPRIETARY INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY; AND

(V) PROCESS AND HOLD SECURITY CLEARANCES FOR AUTHORIZED COLORADO GOVERNMENT PERSONNEL;

(d) CONSIDER ESTABLISHING RELATIONSHIPS WITH THE EXISTING MITRE NATIONAL CYBERSECURITY FEDERALLY FUNDED RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT CENTER; THE AEROSPACE CORPORATION FEDERALLY FUNDED RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT CENTER; OR CREATING A NEW PARALLEL ORGANIZATION FOCUSED ON CYBERSECURITY FOR NATIONAL DEFENSE AND HOMELAND SECURITY REQUIREMENTS;

(e) ESTABLISHING COOPERATIVE RELATIONSHIPS WITH COLORADO CYBER COMPANIES AND OTHER BUSINESSES, LOCAL GOVERNMENTS,
INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION, AND OTHER COLORADO ORGANIZATIONS WITH REQUIREMENTS FOR CYBERSECURITY PARTICIPATION;

(f) Establishing cooperative relations with civilian industrial producers through entities that encourage the interstate sharing of information for cybersecurity;

(g) Linking to local and national military, homeland security, and intelligence community activities to support research and development, rapid test and evaluation, contracting, and production requirements;

(h) Establish protocols for coordinating and sharing information with state and federal law enforcement and intelligence agencies responsible for investigating and collecting information related to cyber-based criminal and national security threats; and

(i) Support state and federal law enforcement agencies with their responsibilities to investigate and prosecute threats to and attacks against critical infrastructure.

(3) The University of Colorado at Colorado Springs shall participate in activities in furtherance of this section only upon the approval of the Board of Regents of the University of Colorado, if required by the laws and policies of the Board of Regents.

24-33.5-1906. Cybersecurity cash fund - cybersecurity gifts, grants, and donations account - creation. (1) (a) The cybersecurity cash fund, referred to in this section as the "fund", is hereby created in the state treasury. The fund consists of the money transferred to the fund pursuant to paragraph (b) of this subsection (1) and any other money that the general assembly may appropriate or transfer to the fund.

(b) On July 1, 2016, the state treasurer shall transfer seven million nine hundred thirty-two thousand twenty dollars from the general fund to the fund.
(2) The state treasurer shall credit all interest and income derived from the deposit and investment of money in the fund to the fund.

(3) The state treasurer shall credit any unexpended and unencumbered moneys remaining in the fund at the end of a fiscal year to the fund.

(4) Except for moneys in the cybersecurity gifts, grants, and donations account created in subsection (5) of this section, subject to annual appropriation by the general assembly, the regents of the university of Colorado may expend money from the fund for the purposes of this part 19.

(5) (a) The cybersecurity gifts, grants, and donations account, referred to in this subsection (5) as the "account", is hereby created in the cybersecurity cash fund. The account consists of any gifts, grants, or donations credited to the account pursuant to paragraph (b) of this subsection (5). Moneys in the account are continuously appropriated to the department of higher education for use by the regents of the university of Colorado for the purposes of this part 19.

(b) The regents of the university of Colorado may seek, accept, and expend gifts, grants, or donations from private or public sources for the purposes of this part 19. The regents of the university of Colorado shall transmit all money received through gifts, grants, or donations to the state treasurer, who shall credit the money to the account.

SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-75-402, add (5) (kk) as follows:

24-75-402. Cash funds - limit on uncommitted reserves - reduction in amount of fees - exclusions - repeal. (5) Notwithstanding any provision of this section to the contrary, the following cash funds are excluded from the limitations specified in this section:

(kk) The cybersecurity cash fund created in section 24-33.5-1906.
SECTION 3. Appropriation. For the 2016-17 state fiscal year, $7,932,020 is appropriated to the department of higher education for use by the regents of the university of Colorado. This appropriation is from the cybersecurity cash fund created in section 24-33.5-1906 (1), C.R.S. To implement this act, the regents of the university of Colorado may use this appropriation for the university of Colorado at Colorado Springs for establishing and expanding cyber higher education programs and cyber education training laboratories and for establishing a secure environment for research and development, initial operational testing and evaluation, and expedited contracting for production for industrial cyber products and techniques.

SECTION 4. Appropriation. (1) For the 2016-17 state fiscal year, $67,980 is appropriated to the department of public safety for use by the office of prevention and security. This appropriation is from the general fund. To implement this act, the office may use this appropriation as follows:

(a) $62,327 for personal services, which amount is based on an assumption that the office will require an additional 1.0 FTE; and

(b) $5,653 for operating expenses.

SECTION 5. Effective date. This act takes effect July 1, 2016.

SECTION 6. Safety clause. The general assembly hereby finds,
determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.

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