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Purpose: To require the disclosure of information relating to cyberattacks on aircraft systems and maintenance and ground support systems for aircraft and to identify and address cybersecurity vulnerabilities to the United States commercial aviation system.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES—114th Cong., 2d Sess.

S. 2658

To amend title 49, United States Code, to authorize appropriations for the Federal Aviation Administration for fiscal years 2016 through 2017, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on _____ and ordered to be printed

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AMENDMENTS intended to be proposed by Mr. MARKEY

Viz:

1 On page 275, between lines 22 and 23, insert the following:
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3 (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

4 (1) COVERED AIR CARRIER.—The term “covered
5 air carrier” means an air carrier or a foreign
6 air carrier (as those terms are defined in section
7 40102 of title 49, United States Code).

8 (2) COVERED MANUFACTURER.—The term
9 “covered manufacturer” means an entity that—

1 (A) manufactures or otherwise produces
2 aircraft and holds a production certificate under
3 section 44704(c) of title 49, United States
4 Code; or

5 (B) manufactures or otherwise produces
6 electronic control, communications, mainte-
7 nance, or ground support systems for aircraft.

8 (3) CYBERATTACK.—The term “cyberattack”
9 means the unauthorized access to aircraft electronic
10 control or communications systems or maintenance
11 or ground support systems for aircraft, either wire-
12 lessly or through a wired connection.

13 (4) CRITICAL SOFTWARE SYSTEMS.—The term
14 “critical software systems” means software systems
15 that can affect control over the operation of an air-
16 craft.

17 (5) ENTRY POINT.—The term “entry point”
18 means the means by which signals to control a sys-
19 tem on board an aircraft or a maintenance or
20 ground support system for aircraft may be sent or
21 received.

22 On page 275, line 23, strike “(a) IN GENERAL.—”
23 and insert “(b) ACTIONS OF THE ADMINISTRATOR.—”.

1 On page 276, strike lines 7 through 10.

2 On page 276, strikes lines 14 through 18, and insert
3 the following:

4 (c) DISCLOSURE OF CYBERATTACKS BY THE AVIA-
5 TION INDUSTRY.—

6 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 270 days
7 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-
8 retary of Transportation shall prescribe regulations
9 requiring covered air carriers and covered manufac-
10 turers to disclose to the Federal Aviation Adminis-
11 tration any attempted or successful cyberattack on
12 any system on board an aircraft, whether or not the
13 system is critical to the safe and secure operation of
14 the aircraft, or any maintenance or ground support
15 system for aircraft, operated by the air carrier or
16 produced by the manufacturer, as the case may be.

17 (2) USE OF DISCLOSURES BY THE FEDERAL
18 AVIATION ADMINISTRATION.—The Administrator of
19 the Federal Aviation Administration shall use the in-
20 formation obtained through disclosures made under
21 subsection (a) to improve the regulations required by
22 subsection (d) and to notify air carriers, aircraft
23 manufacturers, and other Federal agencies of cyber-
24 security vulnerabilities in systems on board an air-

1 craft or maintenance or ground support systems for
2 aircraft.

3 (d) INCORPORATION OF CYBERSECURITY INTO RE-
4 QUIREMENTS FOR AIR CARRIER OPERATING CERTIFI-
5 CATES AND PRODUCTION CERTIFICATES.—

6 (1) REGULATIONS.—Not later than 270 days
7 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-
8 retary of Transportation, in consultation with the
9 Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of Homeland Se-
10 curity, the Attorney General, the Federal Commu-
11 nications Commission, and the Director of National
12 Intelligence, shall prescribe regulations to incor-
13 porate requirements relating to cybersecurity into
14 the requirements for obtaining an air carrier oper-
15 ating certificate or a production certificate under
16 chapter 447 of title 49, United States Code.

17 (2) REQUIREMENTS.—In prescribing the regu-
18 lations required by paragraph (1), the Secretary
19 shall—

20 (A) require all entry points to the elec-
21 tronic systems of each aircraft operating in
22 United States airspace and maintenance or
23 ground support systems for such aircraft to be
24 equipped with reasonable measures to protect
25 against cyberattacks, including the use of isola-

1 tion measures to separate critical software sys-
2 tems from noncritical software systems;

3 (B) require the periodic evaluation of the
4 measures described in subparagraph (A) for se-
5 curity vulnerabilities using best security prac-
6 tices, including the appropriate application of
7 techniques such as penetration testing, in con-
8 sultation with the Secretary of Defense, the
9 Secretary of Homeland Security, the Attorney
10 General, the Federal Communications Commis-
11 sion, and the Director of National Intelligence;
12 and

13 (C) require the measures described in sub-
14 paragraph (A) to be periodically updated based
15 on the results of the evaluations conducted
16 under subparagraph (B).

17 (c) ANNUAL REPORT ON CYBERATTACKS ON AIR-
18 CRAFT SYSTEMS AND MAINTENANCE AND GROUND SUP-
19 PORT SYSTEMS.—

20 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year
21 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Ad-
22 ministrator of the Federal Aviation Administration
23 shall submit to the appropriate committees of Con-
24 gress a report on—

1 (A) attempted and successful cyberattacks
2 on any system on board an aircraft, whether or
3 not the system is critical to the safe and secure
4 operation of the aircraft, and on maintenance
5 or ground support systems for aircraft, that in-
6 cludes—

7 (i) the number of such cyberattacks
8 during the year preceding the submission
9 of the report;

10 (ii) with respect to each such
11 cyberattack—

12 (I) an identification of the system
13 that was targeted;

14 (II) a description of the effect on
15 the safety of the aircraft as a result of
16 the cyberattack; and

17 (III) a description of the meas-
18 ures taken to counter or mitigate the
19 cyberattack;

20 (iii) recommendations for preventing a
21 future cyberattack;

22 (iv) an analysis of potential
23 vulnerabilities to cyberattacks in systems
24 on board an aircraft and in maintenance or
25 ground support systems for aircraft; and

1 (v) recommendations for improving
2 the regulatory oversight of aircraft cyber-
3 security; and

4 (B) the progress made toward imple-
5 menting the requirements under subsection (b).

6 (2) FORM OF REPORT; PUBLIC AVAILABILITY.—

7 (A) FORM OF REPORT.—Each report re-
8 quired by paragraph (1) shall be submitted in
9 unclassified form, but may include a classified
10 annex.

11 (B) PUBLIC AVAILABILITY.—The Adminis-
12 trator shall make the unclassified portion of the
13 report required by paragraph (1) available to
14 the public, with any confidential business infor-
15 mation redacted.

16 (f) MANAGING CYBERSECURITY RISKS OF CON-
17 SUMER COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT.—

18 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Commercial Aviation
19 Communications Safety and Security Leadership
20 Group established by the memorandum of under-
21 standing between the Department of Transportation
22 and the Federal Communications Commission enti-
23 tled “Framework for DOT-FCC Coordination of
24 Commercial Aviation Communications Safety and
25 Security Issues” and dated January 29, 2016 (in

1 this section known as the “Leadership Group”) shall
2 be responsible for evaluating the cybersecurity
3 vulnerabilities of broadband wireless communications
4 equipment designed for consumer use on board air-
5 craft operated by covered air carriers that is in-
6 stalled before, on, or after, or is proposed to be in-
7 stalled on or after, the date of the enactment of this
8 Act.

9 (2) RESPONSIBILITIES.—To address cybersecu-
10 rity risks arising from malicious use of communica-
11 tions technologies on board aircraft operated by cov-
12 ered air carriers, the Leadership Group shall—

13 (A) ensure the development of effective
14 methods for preventing foreseeable cyberattacks
15 that exploit broadband wireless communications
16 equipment designed for consumer use on board
17 such aircraft; and

18 (B) require the implementation by covered
19 air carriers, covered manufacturers, and com-
20 munications service providers of all technical
21 and operational security measures that are
22 deemed necessary and sufficient by the Leader-
23 ship Group to prevent cyberattacks described in
24 subparagraph (A).

25 (3) REPORT REQUIRED.—

1 (A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year
2 after the date of the enactment of this Act, and
3 annually thereafter, the Leadership Group shall
4 submit to the Committee on Commerce,
5 Science, and Transportation of the Senate and
6 the Committee on Transportation and Infra-
7 structure of the House of Representatives a re-
8 port on—

9 (i) the technical and operational secu-
10 rity measures developed to prevent foresee-
11 able cyberattacks that exploit broadband
12 wireless communications equipment de-
13 signed for consumer use on board aircraft
14 operated by covered air carriers; and

15 (ii) the steps taken by covered air car-
16 riers, covered manufacturers, and commu-
17 nications service providers to implement
18 the measures described in subparagraph
19 (A).

20 (B) FORM OF REPORT.—The report re-
21 quired by subparagraph (A) shall be submitted
22 in unclassified form, but may include a classi-
23 fied annex.

24 (4) PUBLIC AVAILABILITY.—The Leadership
25 Group shall make the unclassified portion of the re-

1 port required by subparagraph (A) available to the
2 public, with any confidential business information
3 redacted.