

# SENATE BILL 891

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By: **Senator Hester**

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Assigned to: Rules

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Military Department – State Cyber Protection Team**

3 FOR the purpose of establishing the State Cyber Protection Team in the Military  
4 Department; requiring a certain number of Position Identification Numbers to be  
5 created for the team and specifying the amount of a certain annual appropriation  
6 made by the Governor for the positions; and generally relating to the Military  
7 Department and the State Cyber Protection Team.

8 BY adding to

9 Article – Public Safety

10 Section 13–220

11 Annotated Code of Maryland

12 (2022 Replacement Volume)

13 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,  
14 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

15 **Article – Public Safety**

16 **13–220.**

17 (A) IN THIS SECTION, “TEAM” MEANS THE STATE CYBER PROTECTION  
18 TEAM.

19 (B) THERE IS A STATE CYBER PROTECTION TEAM IN THE DEPARTMENT.

20 (C) THE PURPOSE OF THE TEAM IS TO SUPPORT THE CYBER  
21 PREPAREDNESS UNIT IN THE MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY  
22 MANAGEMENT AND THE OFFICE OF SECURITY MANAGEMENT IN THE DEPARTMENT

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DURING CYBERSECURITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE  
2 EFFORTS.

3 (D) IN COORDINATION WITH THE CYBER PREPAREDNESS UNIT IN THE  
4 MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND THE OFFICE OF  
5 SECURITY MANAGEMENT IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY,  
6 THE TEAM SHALL PARTICIPATE IN REGIONAL CYBERSECURITY PREPAREDNESS  
7 EXERCISES.

8 (E) THE TEAM MAY:

9 (1) IN COORDINATION WITH THE STATE CHIEF INFORMATION  
10 SECURITY OFFICER, PERFORM VULNERABILITY ASSESSMENTS OF STATE  
11 AGENCIES; AND

12 (2) IN COORDINATION WITH THE STATE CHIEF INFORMATION  
13 SECURITY OFFICER AND THE MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY  
14 MANAGEMENT, PROVIDE VULNERABILITY ASSESSMENTS OF LOCAL SCHOOL  
15 SYSTEMS.

16 (F) THE ADJUTANT GENERAL SHALL ASSIGN MEMBERS OF THE TEAM TO  
17 SUPPORT THE FOLLOWING STATE CYBERSECURITY PROGRAMS:

18 (1) THE CYBER PREPAREDNESS UNIT IN THE MARYLAND  
19 DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT;

20 (2) THE STATE SECURITY OPERATIONS CENTER IN THE  
21 DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY;

22 (3) THE INFORMATION SHARING AND ANALYSIS CENTER IN THE  
23 DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY; AND

24 (4) THE OFFICE OF SECURITY MANAGEMENT IN THE DEPARTMENT  
25 OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY FOR VULNERABILITY, THREAT, AND INCIDENT  
26 RESPONSE.

27 (G) (1) THIRTEEN POSITION IDENTIFICATION NUMBERS (PINS) SHALL  
28 BE CREATED FOR THE PURPOSE OF HIRING STAFF TO CONDUCT THE DUTIES OF THE  
29 TEAM.

30 (2) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025 AND EACH FISCAL YEAR THEREAFTER,  
31 THE GOVERNOR SHALL INCLUDE IN THE ANNUAL BUDGET BILL AN APPROPRIATION

1 OF AT LEAST \$931,644 FOR THE PINS CREATED UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS  
2 SUBSECTION.

3 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
4 October 1, 2023.