Amendment to H.R. 1560, as Reported Offered by Mr. Cárdenas of California

Page 15, after line 7, insert the following:

1 (f) SMALL BUSINESS PARTICIPATION.—

2 (1) ASSISTANCE.—The Administrator of the 3 Small Business Administration shall provide assist-4 ance to small businesses and small financial institu-5 tions to monitor information and information sys-6 tems, operate defensive measures, and share and re-7 ceive cyber threat indicators and defensive measures 8 under this section

9 (2) REPORT.—Not later than one year after the 10 date of the enactment of this Act, the Administrator 11 of the Small Business Administration shall submit 12 to the President a report on the degree to which 13 small businesses and small financial institutions are 14 able to engage in cyber threat information sharing 15 under this section. Such report shall include the rec-16 ommendations of the Administrator for improving 17 the ability of such businesses and institutions to en-18 gage in cyber threat information sharing and to use 19 shared information to defend their networks.

1 (3) OUTREACH.—The Federal Government 2 shall conduct outreach to small businesses and small 3 financial institutions to encourage such businesses 4 and institutions to exercise their authority under 5 this section.

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