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Add at the end of subtitle D of title XV of division A the following:

SEC. 15. UNITED STATES-ISRAEL CYBERSECURITY CO-
OPERATION.

(a) Grant Program.—

(1) Establishment.—The Secretary, in ac-
cordance with the agreement entitled the “Agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the State of Israel on Cooperation in Science and Technology for Homeland Security Matters”, dated May 29, 2008 (or successor agreement), and the requirements specified in paragraph (2), shall establish a grant program at the Department to support—

(A) cybersecurity research and development; and

(B) demonstration and commercialization of cybersecurity technology.

(2) Requirements.—

(A) Applicability.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, in carrying out a re-
search, development, demonstration, or commercial application program or activity that is authorized under this section, the Secretary shall require cost sharing in accordance with this paragraph.

(B) RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT.—

(i) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in clause (ii), the Secretary shall require not less than 50 percent of the cost of a research, development, demonstration, or commercial application program or activity described in subparagraph (A) to be provided by a non-Federal source.

(ii) REDUCTION.—The Secretary may reduce or eliminate, on a case-by-case basis, the percentage requirement specified in clause (i) if the Secretary determines that such reduction or elimination is necessary and appropriate.

(C) MERIT REVIEW.—In carrying out a research, development, demonstration, or commercial application program or activity that is authorized under this section, awards shall be made only after an impartial review of the scientific and technical merit of the proposals for
such awards has been carried out by or for the Department.

(D) REVIEW PROCESSES.—In carrying out a review under subparagraph (C), the Secretary may use merit review processes developed under section 302(14) of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 182(14)).

(3) ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS.—An applicant shall be eligible to receive a grant under this subsection if the project of such applicant—

(A) addresses a requirement in the area of cybersecurity research or cybersecurity technology, as determined by the Secretary; and

(B) is a joint venture between—

(i)(I) a for-profit business entity, academic institution, National Laboratory (as such term is defined in section 2 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (42 U.S.C. 15801)), or nonprofit entity in the United States; and

(II) a for-profit business entity, academic institution, or nonprofit entity in Israel; or

(ii)(I) the Federal Government; and

(II) the Government of Israel.
(4) APPLICATIONS.—To be eligible to receive a grant under this subsection, an applicant shall submit to the Secretary an application for such grant in accordance with procedures established by the Secretary, in consultation with the advisory board established under paragraph (5).

(5) ADVISORY BOARD.—

(A) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary shall establish an advisory board to—

   (i) monitor the method by which grants are awarded under this subsection; and

   (ii) provide to the Secretary periodic performance reviews of actions taken to carry out this subsection.

(B) COMPOSITION.—The advisory board established under subparagraph (A) shall be composed of three members, to be appointed by the Secretary, of whom—

   (i) one shall be a representative of the Federal Government;

   (ii) one shall be selected from a list of nominees provided by the United States-Israel Binational Science Foundation; and
(iii) one shall be selected from a list of nominees provided by the United States-Israel Binational Industrial Research and Development Foundation.

(6) CONTRIBUTED FUNDS.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Secretary may accept or retain funds contributed by any person, government entity, or organization for purposes of carrying out this subsection. Such funds shall be available, subject to appropriation, without fiscal year limitation.

(7) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date of completion of a project for which a grant is provided under this subsection, the grant recipient shall submit to the Secretary a report that contains—

(A) a description of how the grant funds were used by the recipient; and

(B) an evaluation of the level of success of each project funded by the grant.

(8) CLASSIFICATION.—Grants shall be awarded under this subsection only for projects that are considered to be unclassified by both the United States and Israel.
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(b) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is  
authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section not  
less than $6,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2022 through  
2026.

(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section—

(1) the term “cybersecurity research” means re-
search, including social science research, into ways  
to identify, protect against, detect, respond to, and  
recover from cybersecurity threats;

(2) the term “cybersecurity technology” means  
technology intended to identify, protect against, de-

tect, respond to, and recover from cybersecurity  
threats;

(3) the term “cybersecurity threat” has the  
meaning given such term in section 102 of the Cy-

bersecurity Information Sharing Act of 2015 (6  
U.S.C. 1501; enacted as title I of the Cybersecurity  
Act of 2015 (division N of the Consolidated Approp-

riations Act, 2016 (Public Law 114–113)));

(4) the term “Department” means the Depart-

ment of Homeland Security; and

(5) the term “Secretary” means the Secretary  