



The Software & Information Industry Association's

Digital Policy Roundup

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Policy Calendar

June 15

Hearing: Draft legislation re: data security and data breach, House Commerce Subcommittee on Commerce, Manufacturing and Trade

June 16

Hearing: STEM Education, House Committee on Science, Space and Technology holds a hearing on science

June 16

Forum: Evaluating the Cloud Computing Act of 2011, Brookings Institution

June 21

Hearing: Cybersecurity: Evaluating the Administration's Proposals, Senate Judiciary Subcommittee on Crime and Terrorism hearing

June 28

Forum: Navigating Location-Based Services, FCC's Wireless Telecommunications Bureau

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Cybersecurity / Data Security

The top news on the data security front is the upcoming [hearing](#) on Data Security/Data Breach scheduled for Wednesday. Chairwoman Bono Mack (R-CA) released a [discussion memo](#) summarizing key differences from the legislation in the 111th Congress.

On the Administration cyber front, the Dept. of Commerce released a report entitled, "Cybersecurity, Innovation and the Internet Economy," in support of the effort to more clearly define the line between cybersecurity and the other parts of the Internet economy, and expressing the Department to refine this definition.

Also out of the Administration last week, NIST held a workshop seeking feedback on a governance structure to advance the Cybersecurity Initiative (NSTIC). More about that [here](#).

Privacy

There are two noteworthy privacy bills in the works in the House: Sen. Pryor (D-AR) is expected to introduce a mobile privacy bill, and Sen. Pryor (D-AR) is expected to introduce legislation regarding children's privacy online prior to the July 4th recess. The Senate Commerce Committee legislative hearing on the House bill, the Commercial Privacy Bill of Rights Act (S. 799), is also expected to be ongoing within the Committee regarding the official legislative priorities of Chairman Rockefeller's (D-WV) priorities in this area, which include "tracking" and children's privacy.

Patent Reform

The House patent reform bill (H.R. 1249) is expected to be introduced next week. While support for the House bill is broad and bipartisan, certain amendments could cause the bill to be defeated or stripped of a provision allowing the PTO to keep its user fees, and the bill may be delayed.

ICANN

ICANN is expected to vote on the new gTLD Applicant Guidebook is approved, the process for introducing hundreds of new top-level domains will likely begin sometime next year. Also, the NTIA issued a request for comments seeking comments on a Draft Statement of Work regarding the

