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# H. R. 4904

[Report No. 114-587]

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 12, 2016

Mr. CARTWRIGHT (for himself, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Mr. CONNOLLY, Mr. TED LIEU of California, Ms. DUCKWORTH, and Mr. CUMMINGS) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

MAY 23, 2016

Additional sponsors: Mr. RUSSELL, Mr. BLUM, Mr. HURD of Texas, Mr. PALMER, Mr. GIBSON, Mr. KNIGHT, Ms. NORTON, Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York, Mr. MULVANEY, Mr. RENACCI, Mr. MCKINLEY, Mr. COSTA, Mr. LANCE, Mr. DESJARLAIS, Mr. RICE of South Carolina, Mr. FARENTHOLD, Mr. TIPTON, Mr. HASTINGS, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. GOSAR, Mrs. LUMMIS, Mr. JOYCE, and Mr. JODY B. HICE of Georgia

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Committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union  
and ordered to be printed

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1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4       This Act may be cited as the “Making Electronic  
5 Government Accountable By Yielding Tangible Effi-  
6 ciencies Act of 2016” or the “MEGABYTE Act of 2016”.

7 **SEC. 2. OMB DIRECTIVE ON MANAGEMENT OF SOFTWARE**  
8 **LICENSES.**

9       (a) DEFINITION.—In this section—

10           (1) the term “Director” means the Director of  
11 the Office of Management and Budget; and

12           (2) the term “executive agency” has the mean-  
13 ing given that term in section 105 of title 5, United  
14 States Code.

15       (b) OMB DIRECTIVE.—The Director shall issue a di-  
16 rective to require the Chief Information Officer of each  
17 executive agency to develop a comprehensive software li-  
18 censing policy, which shall—

19           (1) identify clear roles, responsibilities, and cen-  
20 tral oversight authority within the executive agency  
21 for managing enterprise software license agreements  
22 and commercial software licenses; and

23           (2) require the Chief Information Officer of  
24 each executive agency to—

1 (A) establish a comprehensive inventory,  
2 including 80 percent of software license spend-  
3 ing and enterprise licenses in the executive  
4 agency, by identifying and collecting informa-  
5 tion about software license agreements using  
6 automated discovery and inventory tools;

7 (B) regularly track and maintain software  
8 licenses to assist the executive agency in imple-  
9 menting decisions throughout the software li-  
10 cense management life cycle;

11 (C) analyze software usage and other data  
12 to make cost-effective decisions;

13 (D) provide training relevant to software  
14 license management;

15 (E) establish goals and objectives of the  
16 software license management program of the  
17 executive agency; and

18 (F) consider the software license manage-  
19 ment life cycle phases, including the requisition,  
20 reception, deployment and maintenance, retire-  
21 ment, and disposal phases, to implement effec-  
22 tive decisionmaking and incorporate existing  
23 standards, processes, and metrics.

24 (c) REPORT ON SOFTWARE LICENSE MANAGE-  
25 MENT.—

1           (1) IN GENERAL.—Beginning in the first fiscal  
2 year beginning after the date of enactment of this  
3 Act, and in each of the following 5 fiscal years, the  
4 Chief Information Officer of each executive agency  
5 shall submit to the Director a report on the financial  
6 savings or avoidance of spending that resulted from  
7 improved software license management.

8           (2) AVAILABILITY.—The Director shall make  
9 each report submitted under paragraph (1) pub-  
10 lically available.

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