



Israel Update

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House Passes Two U.S.-Israel Cybersecurity Cooperation Bills

On Nov. 29, the U.S. House of Representatives passed by voice vote two bills that would enhance bilateral cybersecurity cooperation between the United States and Israel. Introduced by Reps. John Ratcliffe (R-TX) and Jim Langevin (D-RI), the United States-Israel Advanced Research Partnership Act of 2016 (H. R. 5877) and the United States-Israel Cybersecurity Cooperation Enhancement Act of 2016 (H.R. 5843) would both promote and deepen cybersecurity collaboration between the U.S. Department of Homeland Security and Israel's Ministry of Public Security. The two bipartisan bills were inspired by the lawmakers' trip to Israel last May, where they met with Israeli cybersecurity leaders in the public and private spheres. The bills now await action in the Senate.

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