Welcome to NGA’s Monthly Cybersecurity Newsletter! Is something interesting happening in your state? Please send tips to David Forscey at dforscey@nga.org.

Resource Center Announcements

Cyber Policy Academy Meeting in Detroit

Last week, we convened the four teams (IN, NC, WV, WI) from our Policy Academy for a two-day meeting to share best practices in state cybersecurity and plot action steps for each state. We were pleased to be joined by additional representatives from Michigan, Virginia, Missouri, Pennsylvania, Colorado, and Connecticut. Please see attached for the meeting agenda, and email dforscey@nga.org if you would like to receive summary notes. (Thanks to Michigan Governor Rick Snyder for hosting us at the North American International Cyber Summit!)

North Carolina Cyber Workshop

NGA staff met with North Carolina’s Cyber Policy Academy team in Raleigh to map out a statewide cyber disruption plan and possible changes to NC cybersecurity laws. State IT executives exploring a partnership with their state’s National Guard might look to North Carolina as a model. Please reach out to dforscey@nga.org for more information.

NGA in Israel!

HSPS Division Director Jeff McLeod recently joined Resource Center Co-Chair Gov. John Bel Edwards for a cyber tour across Israel, a global center for innovation in cybersecurity. Highlights included meetings with Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and top Israeli cybersecurity firms.

New Resource on Apprenticeships

New America, a D.C. think tank, released its Cybersecurity Apprenticeship Map, which aggregates current information on cybersecurity apprenticeships and offers an opportunity to highlight new programs. If you have information on cybersecurity apprenticeships that should be included on the map, please reach out to dforscey@nga.org.
Mark It Down! 3rd National Summit on State Cybersecurity

NGA’s 3rd National Summit on State Cybersecurity will take place in Shreveport, Louisiana from May 14 to 16, 2019. Pencil it in and stay tuned for more details!

News Items

Elections…elections…elections…

New Jersey Gov. Phil Murphy signed an Executive Order to protect New Jersey’s elections infrastructure by promoting collaboration between state cybersecurity leaders and election offices.

Wisconsin Gov. Scott Walker issued an Executive Order allowing the National Guard to assist the WI Elections Commission upon request.

Washington Gov. Jay Inslee appeared alongside Washington’s Secretary of State as the two explained how their state is preparing to defend election infrastructure.

Other cyber news from the states…

Alabama Gov. Kay Ivey unveiled the state’s new Security Operations Center (SOC) and cybersecurity website.

South Carolina Gov. Henry McMaster says his state is open for business when it comes to cybersecurity investment.

With the 2018 Data Protection Act went into effect.

With the 2018 elections upon us, here are five “cybertransition” tips.

Deep dives…

The 2018 Deloitte-NASCIO Cybersecurity Study is here!

In the inaugural report for its new cybercrime initiative, think tank Third Way advocates for a national cybercrime enforcement strategy that would dispense with victim-blaming and emphasize law enforcement over military capabilities.

For the techies…

How does a CISO make sense of quantum computing?

FireEye suggests that Russian actors were behind the Triton malware campaign targeting ICS systems.

Advice and opinion…

Art House, chief cybersecurity risk officer for Connecticut, argues that any plan to secure critical infrastructure must revolve around states.
Speaking of critical infrastructure, Raytheon’s Michael Daly has a **handful** of **key recommendations** for securing elections. And as many of our readers know, states are already **investing millions** to protect elections.

Passwords might be flawed, **but they are not going anywhere**, according to Troy Hunt.

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### Other NGA Events in 2018
Below are the dates for major NGA events in 2018.

Friday, November 16 – Sunday, November 18  
**2018 Seminar for New Governors**  
Colorado Springs, CO  
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