

Privacy Monday: July 28, 2014

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The last Monday in July — the summer of 2014 is rapidly slipping away! Here are some privacy and security bits and bytes for this last week of July:

US Congress Heads Out on August Recess Soon – Much to Do

It has been reported today that the U.S. House will vote today on a series of four cybersecurity bills. The bills were moved forward last week after the House Homeland Security and Oversight committees resolved a jurisdictional dispute over federal civilian computer networks. On the list for today's vote: Rep. Mike McCaul's National Cybersecurity and Critical Infrastructure Protection Act, Rep. Patrick Meehan's Critical Infrastructure Research and Development Act and Rep. Yvette Clarke's Homeland Security Cybersecurity Boots-on-the-Ground Act, all from the House Committee on Homeland Security, and separately Rep. Kerry Bentivolio's [Safe and Secure Federal Websites Act of 2013](#) from the House Committion on Oversight and Government Reform.

Cybersecurity Still a Top Risk Concern for Boards

We've been discussing the elevation of privacy and security risks and vulnerabilities to the board level for some time now (see [here](#), [here](#) and [here](#)). Accounting firm Eisner Amper has just released its annual survey on concerns of corporate board directors. Cybersecurity and IT risk and reputational risk (they do go hand in hand; just ask Target and Neiman Marcus) are the two top issues.

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