



CYBERSECURITY

[Energy Sector's Reliance on IoT Increases Cyber Vulnerabilities](#)

CyberX recently released its *2020 Global IoT/ICS Risk Report* (Report), which compiles survey questions and answers from 1,821 production networks of electric utilities, and oil and gas companies. Although the Report admitted that oil and gas companies and electric utilities tend to be ahead of the curve on cybersecurity compared to other sectors, they are becoming more vulnerable because they are more reliant on Internet of Things (IoT) and industrial control systems. [Read more](#)

[Ransomware Hits Legal Case Management Provider TrialWorks](#)

On October 13, 2019, TrialWorks, a legal case management software platform, announced to its customers, that it was experiencing a hosting outage at its data center and would provide updates as more was learned about the situation. The update issued the next day admitted that TrialWorks was in the midst of a ransomware attack. It is reported that the ransomware responsible for the outage was REvil/Sodinokibi, related to GandCrab. This ransomware is known to target enterprises, managed software providers, and government agencies. [Read more](#)

ENFORCEMENT + LITIGATION

[Introducing the New York SHIELD Act](#)

The New York "Stop Hacks and Improve Electronic Data Security Act" (SHIELD Act), N.Y. Gen Bus. Law § 899-bb, requires businesses that collect private information on New York residents to implement reasonable cybersecurity safeguards to protect that information. While this is a new law in the State of New York, it is simply joining other states, including California, Rhode Island and Massachusetts, in setting these types of standards (i.e., requirement for a written information security program (WISP)). New York's law mandates the implementation of a data security program, including measures such as risk assessments, workforce training and incident response planning and testing, and is set to go into effect on March 21, 2020. Notably, New York's law covers all employers, individuals and organizations, regardless of size or location, which collect private information on New York residents. [Read more](#)

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[Oregon Senator Introduces Sweeping Legislation to Secure Personal Information and Hold Corporations Accountable](#)

U.S. Senator Ron Wyden, D-Oregon, recently introduced comprehensive privacy legislation, known as the "[Mind Your Own Business Act](#)" (MYOB Act), to provide protections for the private data of Americans and to hold corporate executives accountable if they abuse such information. While this isn't the first such legislation introduced in Congress and is unlikely to be the last, the MYOB Act is notable for its breadth, including the size and scope of the potential penalties that could be imposed on offenders. [Read more](#)

NEW + NOW

[FBI Warns of E-Skimming Threats](#)

For those of you that have websites that process online payments (such as retail, hospitality, health care, entertainment and utilities), the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) recently issued a warning about e-skimming threats to those websites. E-skimming occurs when an attacker introduces malicious code on the website to obtain in real time debit and credit card information while it is being entered into the portal. [Read more](#)

PRIVACY TIP #214

[Veterans Warned About Risk of Misuse of Sensitive Personal Information](#)

Veterans may wish to consider taking measures to mitigate their risk of becoming a victim of identity theft. This week's privacy tip reviews a recent warning from the Department of Veterans Affairs' Office of Inspector General and explains the security issues involved. [Read more](#)

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