Meeting Minutes
Subcommittee on Economic Development
April 29, 2020
Virtual Meeting
1:00 pm   2:30 pm

Member Attendance (9/12)
Bel Leong-Hong (Chair), Heather Gramm, Brian Israel, Mathew Lee, Martin Rosendale,
Christine Ross, Gregg Smith, MG Linda Singh (MDNG, Ret), and Steve Tiller.

Staff Attendance
Hannibal Kemmerer (Director of Legislative Affairs, OAG), Howard Barr (Assistant Attorney
General and Chief Counsel, DoIT), and Dr. Greg von Lehmen (University of Maryland Global
Campus, Assigned Staff to the Maryland Cybersecurity Council).

Meeting Summary

1. The chair welcomed the members and asked new members (Heather Gramm, Senior
   Director, Strategic Industries and Entrepreneurship, Maryland Department of Commerce)
   and MG Linda Singh (Interim CEO, TEDCO) to introduce themselves.

2.

a. CAMI SWAT Team. Gregg Smith offered an overview of the SWAT Team. With the exponential increase in cybersecurity threats during the COVID-19 response, CAMI facilitated a coalition of cybersecurity services firms willing to assist affected businesses. The triage is free. Fees for post triage services are between the affected firm and the cybersecurity firm. This initiative was recognized by the COVID-19 resources page https://govstatus.egov.com/md-coronavirus-business. Christine Ross indicated her willingness to push the SWAT Team link out through channels used by the Maryland Chamber of Commerce.

b. Maryland ISAO. Dr. von Lehmen noted that the Subcommittee on Critical Infrastructure was moving forward with a working document that could serve as a high-level blueprint for establishing an ISAO in the State. This document is the outcome of discussions with the Arizona Cyber Threat Response Alliance (ACTRA) that grew out of a presentation by Frank Grimmelmann to the full Council last fall.

5. Baseline legislative review (2020 session):
a. The key take-away for the subcommittee was that the cybersecurity-related tax credits that had been enacted in past years remain in place.

b.

Ms. Gramm reminded the subcommittee that Maryland passed a variety of enhanced benefits to existing programs for businesses located in an Opportunity Zone. Current programs can be found at https://dhcd.maryland.gov/Pages/OZ/OZ-Conference.aspx under the third section titled Maryland Programs to enhance Opportunity Zone Investments. How HB 45 would impact those programs is outlined in the Fiscal and Policy note.

The chair asked if there had been a bill to establish a public-private partnership to support start-ups in Montgomery County. Ms. Gramm indicated that she would research the question and report back.

6. Discussion of issues or initiatives of interest for the 2021 session. Emerging from the discussion were the following ideas:
   a. Innovation that would make teleworking more secure. This would include both hardware and software.

   b. Products and services around contact tracing. Innovations would address both security and privacy concerns. MG Singh mentioned an MIT PowerPoint that

There being no other business, the subcommittee was adjourned at 2:45 pm on motions duly made and seconded by Mr. Smith and Mr. Rosendale.

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