# **R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-7-9**

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***General Laws of Rhode Island*  > *Title 42 State Affairs and Government (Chs. 1 — 42-165)* > *Chapter 7 Executive Department (§§ 42-7-1 — 42-7-9)***

**42-7-9. Cybersecurity incident response group.**

**(a)** The governor shall establish a cybersecurity incident response group, which shall include the superintendent of the Rhode Island state police, or designee; the adjutant general of the Rhode Island national guard, or designee; the director of the Rhode Island division of information technology, or designee; the director of the Rhode Island emergency management agency, or designee; the executive director of the Rhode Island League of Cities and Towns, or designee; and the secretary of state, or designee.

**(b)** The cybersecurity incident response group shall:

**(1)** Establish communication protocols in the event of a breach of cybersecurity in any agency or public body. The protocols shall include, but not be limited to:

**(i)** A list of potential cybersecurity breaches that would require reporting;

**(ii)** State and local entities covered within the communication plan;

**(iii)** Mechanisms to communicate a cybersecurity breach in a timely manner to members of the public and other relevant parties who may be affected by the breach; and

**(iv)** Primary contact at each agency or public body.

**(c)** The cybersecurity incident response group shall also establish long-term policy planning and goals for the state and municipalities regarding evolving cybersecurity threats and how to address them in a coordinated manner.

**(d)** The cybersecurity incident response group shall be subject to chapter 46 of this title (open meetings) and chapter 2 of title 38 (access to public records).

**History**

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