

Congress of the United States
U.S. House of Representatives
Committee on Small Business
2561 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515-6515

NOTICE OF HEARING

April 20, 2015

11:00 A.M. 2360 Rayburn House Office Building

TO: Members, Committee on Small Business

FROM: Steve Chabot, Chairman

DATE: Wednesday, April 13, 2016

The Committee on Small Business will meet for a hearing titled, *Small Business and the Federal Government: How Cyber Attacks Threaten Both*. The hearing is scheduled to begin at **11:00 A.M. on April 20, 2016 in Room 2360 of the Rayburn House Office Building**.

Information technology provides small businesses with the necessary tools to efficiently engage in the global economy. However, as small businesses increasingly rely on web-based products and services, they face an even greater threat from cyber-criminals. Even a simple cyber-attack can effectively destroy a small business. Recent studies indicate that cyber-security measures continue to be one of the top issues for small businesses. Unfortunately, recent analyses have found that not only are many small businesses underprepared to combat cyber-attacks, the very federal agencies tasked with supporting small businesses lack essential resources to defend against cyber-criminals. This hearing will examine the current state of cyber-security for small firms and various supporting federal agencies and potential solutions to strengthen their efforts.

A staff briefing will be held at 2:00 P.M on Monday, April 18, 2016 in Room 2360 of the Rayburn House Office Building.

If you or your staff have any questions, please contact James Burchfield, Professional Staff for the Committee, at 202-225-5821.