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Congressman Lee Terry today announced that he has been appointed by House Speaker John Boehner (R-OH) and Majority Leader Eric Cantor (R-VA) to serve on the newly-created Cybersecurity Task Force. Terry serves as the Vice Chairman of the Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet.

The Cybersecurity Task Force - composed of Terry and eleven other Congressmen - will analyze the complex issues involved with keeping digital information secure. The task force will work with prominent cybersecurity authorities to evaluate online data-sharing systems, Internet infrastructure, and legal framework surrounding the issue. In addition, the task force will conduct a thorough assessment of the Obama Administration's Cybersecurity Legislative Proposal. In October the task force will present its findings to GOP leaders.

"Over the past year, we have seen major repercussions from hackers' cyber-attacks and significant signs of growing foreign military presence in cyberspace. The Internet is quickly becoming a tool that can be used to weaken our national security assets. I look forward to this collaborative effort examining these issues that have both national and economic ramifications," Terry said.

Members serving on the task force include Reps. Robert Aderhold (R-AL), Jason Chaffetz (R-UT), Mike Coffman (R-CO), Bob Goodlatte (R-VA), Robert Hurt (R-VA), Bob Latta (R-OH), Dan Lungren (R-CA), Mike McCaul (R-TX), Tim Murphy (R-PA), Steve Stivers (R-OH), and Mac Thornberry (R-TX).