

**Congress of the United States**  
**U.S. House of Representatives**  
**Committee on Small Business**  
2361 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515-6515

**NOTICE OF HEARING**

**April 22, 2015**

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

**TO: Members, Committee on Small Business**

**FROM: Steve Chabot, Chairman**

**DATE: Wednesday, April 15, 2015**

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The Committee on Small Business will meet for a hearing titled, *Small Business, Big Threat: Protecting Small Businesses from Cyber Attacks*. The hearing is scheduled to begin at **11:00 A.M. on April 22, 2015 in Room 2360 of the Rayburn House Office Building**.

Information technology is a key conduit for modern commerce exchanges among small businesses. However, the increased opportunity for small businesses has seen a corresponding rise of cyber-attacks, which has the potential for a devastating impact on both businesses and consumers. According to a recent study, nearly half of small businesses have been victims of a cyber-attack. Startlingly, the cost of a cyber-attack on small businesses has more than doubled in the last year. This hearing will examine the current state of cyber-security for small firms and steps that can strengthen their efforts in information protection.

A staff briefing will be held on Monday, April 20, 2015 at 2:00 P.M. 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.