

UCCS Presents on Cybersecurity Programs ^[1]

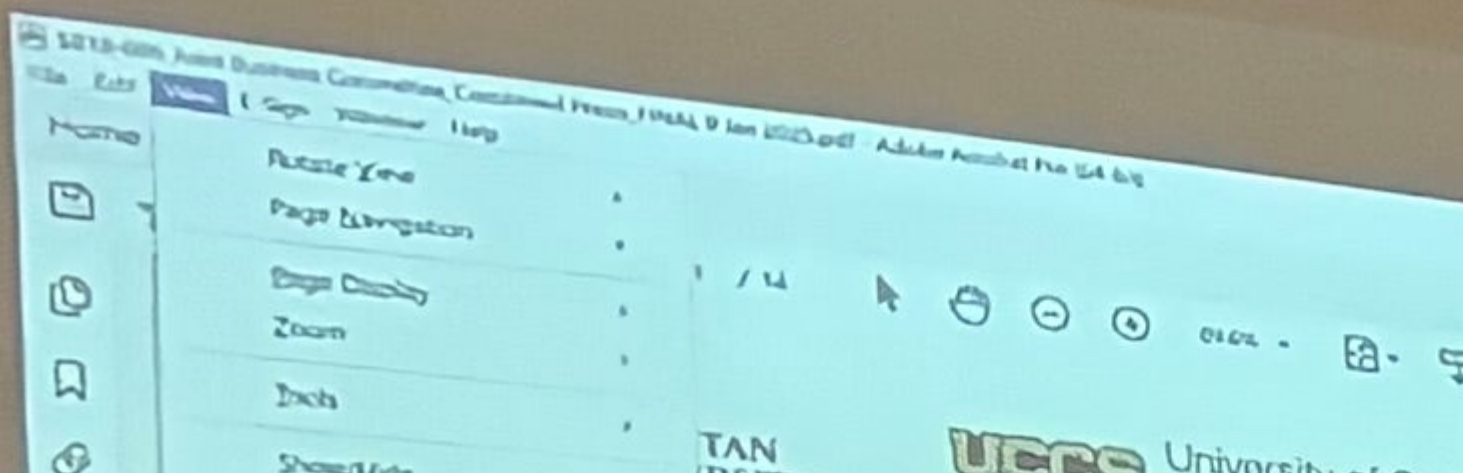
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The Joint Business Affairs committee met for State Measurement for Accountable, Responsive, and Transparent Government (SMART) Act Hearings and received an update on [S.B. 18-086 Cyber Coding Cryptology for State Records](#) ^[3], which was reauthorized for three more years of funding in the 2024 session. UCCS receives \$2.8 million from this allocation, which is shared with the [National Cybersecurity Center](#) ^[4]. This is a collaborative effort with other higher education institutions across the state, including Pikes Peak Community College; Colorado Mesa University; Western Colorado University; Colorado State University; and Metropolitan State University of Denver. There was good engagement from members of the committee during the January 9 hearing, and many expressed their happiness with the programs and the work that has been done on the cyber front.



Gretchen Bliss (second from left), Director of Cybersecurity Programs for UCCS represented UCCS at the hearing

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Gretchen Bliss (second from right) represented UCCS at the hearing

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