

BIO-key Biometric Solutions Are Gaining Traction on Capitol Hill

Administrative Offices within Congress are Using BIO-key Fingerprint Technology

Wall, NJ, October 22, 2019 - [BIO-key International, Inc.](#) (NASDAQ: BKYI), an innovative provider of biometric authentication and security solutions, today announced that employees working within the Federal legislative branch are now using BIO-key's [EcoID](#) to access their Microsoft Windows devices.

EcoID is a compact fingerprint scanner that's been tested and qualified by Microsoft to support Windows 10 biometric sign-in capabilities. Natively integrated within the Microsoft Windows Hello biometric sign-in platform, users simply plug in the scanner, enroll their fingerprints and have immediate biometric sign-on capabilities, allowing them to utilize one-touch biometric authentication in place of passwords or PIN numbers.

Cybersecurity is top of mind on Capitol Hill, and the recent FBI [Private Industry Notification](#) report has put all IT leaders on alert. The FBI's research discovered that today's traditional authentication methods are vulnerable and recommended that a biometric or behavioral authentication method be added to be considered strong security.

"We're witnessing an accelerating trend of domestic and international government agencies recognizing that biometrics represent the strongest form of authentication," stated Mike DePasquale, Chairman & CEO, BIO-key. "In this particular case BIO-key is working within the legislative branch of the Federal Government to provide a layer of biometric authentication to secure their devices. In this environment, any device could contain confidential information that might be considered harmful if it were to get into the wrong hands and potentially put our country at great risk. EcoID helps ensure that the person signing-on to the device is the appropriate individual."

About BIO-key International, Inc. (www.bio-key.com)

BIO-key is revolutionizing authentication with [biometric solutions](#) that enable convenient and secure access to information and high-stakes transactions. We offer alternatives to passwords, PINs, tokens, and cards to make it easy for enterprises and consumers to secure their devices as well as information in the cloud. Our premium [finger scanning devices](#) offer market-leading quality, performance and price. BIO-key also brings the power and ease of use of biometric technology to its [TouchLock line](#) of biometric and Bluetooth enabled padlocks – providing even more ways to BIO-key your world!

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