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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. HURD of Texas introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on _____

A BILL

- To authorize the development of open-source software based on certain systems of the Department of Homeland Security and the Department of State to facilitate the vetting of travelers against terrorist watchlists and law enforcement databases, enhance border management, and improve targeting and analysis, and for other purposes.
 - 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
 - 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

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1 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

2 This Act may be cited as the "Enhancing Overseas3 Traveler Vetting Act".

4 SEC. 2. OPEN-SOURCE SCREENING SOFTWARE.

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subsection (c), the Sec6 retary of Homeland Security and the Secretary of State—

7 (1) are authorized to develop open-source soft-8 ware based on U.S. Customs and Border Protec-9 tion's global travel targeting and analysis systems 10 and the Department of State's watchlisting, identi-11 fication, and screening systems in order to facilitate 12 the vetting of travelers against terrorist watchlists 13 and law enforcement databases, enhance border 14 management, and improve targeting and analysis; 15 and

16 (2) may make such software and any related
17 technical assistance or training available to foreign
18 governments or multilateral organizations for such
19 purposes.

(b) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 60 days
after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary
of Homeland Security and Secretary of State shall submit
to the appropriate congressional committees a plan to implement subsection (a).

25 (c) PROVISION OF SOFTWARE AND CONGRESSIONAL
26 NOTIFICATION.—Not later than 15 days before the open-

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source software described in subsection (a) is made avail able to foreign governments or multilateral organizations
 pursuant to such subsection, the Secretary of Homeland
 Security and Secretary of State, with the concurrence of
 the Director of National Intelligence, shall—

6 (1) certify to the appropriate congressional
7 committees that such availability is in the national
8 security interests of the United States; and

9 (2) provide to such committees information on
10 how such software or any related technical assist11 ance or training will be made available.

(d) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—The authority provided under this section shall be exercised in accordance
with applicable provisions of the Arms Export Control Act
(22 U.S.C. 2751 et seq.), the Export Administration Regulations, or any other similar provision of law.

(e) PROHIBITION ON ADDITIONAL FUNDING.—No
additional funds are authorized to be appropriated to
carry out this section. This section shall be carried out
using amounts otherwise appropriated or made available
to the Department of Homeland Security.

22 (f) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

23 (1) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT24 TEES.—The term "appropriate congressional com25 mittees" means—

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1	(A) in the House of Representatives—
2	(i) the Committee on Homeland Secu-
3	rity; and
4	(ii) the Committee on Foreign Affairs;
5	and
6	(B) in the Senate—
7	(i) the Committee on Homeland Secu-
8	rity and Governmental Affairs; and
9	(ii) the Committee on Foreign Rela-
10	tions.
11	(2) EXPORT ADMINISTRATION REGULATIONS.—
12	The term "Export Administration Regulations"
13	means—
14	(A) the Export Administration Regulations
15	as maintained and amended under the authority
16	of the International Emergency Economic Pow-
17	ers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.) and codified
18	in subchapter C of chapter VII of title 15, Code
19	of Federal Regulations; or
20	(B) any successor regulations.