

Union Calendar No. 465

115TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 4227

[Report No. 115–609]

To require the Secretary of Homeland Security to examine what actions the Department of Homeland Security is undertaking to combat the threat of vehicular terrorism, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOVEMBER 2, 2017

Mr. LATTA (for himself, Mr. MARCHANT, Mr. BUCSHON, Mr. CHABOT, Mr. WALBERG, Ms. KAPTUR, Miss GONZÁLEZ-COLÓN of Puerto Rico, Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM of New Mexico, and Mr. RENACCI) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Homeland Security

MARCH 19, 2018

Additional sponsors: Ms. TENNEY, Mrs. DINGELL, Mr. BARLETTA, and Mr. GOTTHEIMER

MARCH 19, 2018

Reported with an amendment, committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, and ordered to be printed

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[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on November 2, 2017]

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 *This Act may be cited as the “Vehicular Terrorism*
5 *Prevention Act of 2018”.*

6 **SEC. 2. STRATEGY ON VEHICULAR TERRORISM.**

7 *(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than six months after the*
8 *date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Homeland*
9 *Security shall—*

10 *(1) assess the activities the Department of Home-*
11 *land Security is undertaking to support emergency*
12 *response providers and the private sector to prevent,*
13 *mitigate, and respond to the threat of vehicular ter-*
14 *rorism; and*

15 *(2) based on such assessment, develop and submit*
16 *to the Committee on Homeland Security of the House*
17 *of Representatives and the Committee on Homeland*
18 *Security and Governmental Affairs of the Senate a*
19 *strategy to improve the Department’s efforts to sup-*
20 *port the efforts of emergency response providers and*
21 *the private sector to prevent, mitigate, and respond to*
22 *such threat.*

23 *(b) CONTENTS.—The strategy required under sub-*
24 *section (a) shall include the following:*

1 (1) *An examination of the current threat of ve-*
2 *hicular terrorism.*

3 (2) *Methods to improve Department of Home-*
4 *land Security information sharing activities with*
5 *emergency response providers and the private sector*
6 *regarding best practices to prevent, mitigate, and re-*
7 *spond to the increasing threat of vehicular terrorism.*

8 (3) *Training activities the Department can pro-*
9 *vide, including possible exercises, for emergency re-*
10 *sponse providers to prevent and respond to the threat*
11 *of vehicular terrorism.*

12 (4) *Any additional activities the Secretary of*
13 *Homeland Security recommends to prevent, mitigate,*
14 *and respond to the threat of vehicular terrorism.*

15 (c) *DEFINITIONS.—In this section:*

16 (1) *EMERGENCY RESPONSE PROVIDERS.—The*
17 *term “emergency response providers” has the meaning*
18 *given such term in section 2(6) of the Homeland Se-*
19 *curity Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 101(6)).*

20 (2) *VEHICULAR TERRORISM.—The term “vehic-*
21 *ular terrorism” means any action that utilizes auto-*
22 *motive transportation to inflict violence and intimi-*
23 *dation on individuals for a political purpose.*

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