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for other purposes.

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Mr. HIGGINS of Louisiana, Mr. RATCLIFFE, Mr. RUTHERFORD, Mr.
HURD, and Mr. LOUDERMILK) introduced the following bill; which was
referred to the Committee on Homeland Security

A BILL

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travel, 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,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Terrorist and Foreign
5 Fighter Travel Exercise Act of 2017”.

6 **SEC. 2. EXERCISE ON TERRORIST AND FOREIGN FIGHTER**
7 **TRAVEL.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—In addition to, or as part of exer-
9 cise programs currently carried out by the Department of

1 Homeland Security, to enhance domestic preparedness for
2 and collective response to terrorism, promote the dissemi-
3 nation of homeland security information, and test the se-
4 curity posture of the United States, the Secretary of
5 Homeland Security, through appropriate offices and com-
6 ponents of the Department and in coordination with the
7 relevant Federal departments and agencies, shall, not later
8 than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act,
9 develop and conduct an exercise related to the terrorist
10 and foreign fighter threat.

11 (b) EXERCISE REQUIREMENTS.—The exercise re-
12 quired under subsection (a) shall include—

13 (1) a scenario involving—

14 (A) persons traveling from the United
15 States to join or provide material support or re-
16 sources to a terrorist organization abroad; and

17 (B) terrorist infiltration into the United
18 States, including United States citizens and for-
19 eign nationals; and

20 (2) coordination with relevant Federal depart-
21 ments and agencies, foreign governments, and State,
22 local, tribal, territorial, and private sector stake-
23 holders.

24 (c) REPORT.—Not later than 60 days after the com-
25 pletion of the exercise required under subsection (a), the

1 Secretary of Homeland Security shall, consistent with the
2 protection of classified information, submit an after-action
3 report to the Committee on Homeland Security of the
4 House of Representatives and the Committee on Home-
5 land Security and Governmental Affairs of the Senate pre-
6 senting the initial findings of such exercise, including any
7 identified or potential vulnerabilities in United States de-
8 fenses and any legislative changes requested in light of
9 the findings. The report shall be submitted in unclassified
10 form, but may include a classified annex.

11 (d) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term “material
12 support or resources” has the meaning given such term
13 in section 2339A of title 18, United States Code.

14 **SEC. 3. EMERGING THREATS IN THE NATIONAL EXERCISE**
15 **PROGRAM.**

16 Subparagraph (A) of section 648(b)(2) of the Post-
17 Katrina Emergency Management Reform Act of 2006 (6
18 U.S.C. 748(b)(2)) is amended—

19 (1) in clause (v), by striking “and” at the end;
20 and

21 (2) by adding after clause (vi) the following new
22 clause:

23 “(vii) designed, to the extent prac-
24 ticable, to include exercises addressing
25 emerging terrorist threats, such as sce-

1 narios involving United States citizens de-
2 parting the United States to enlist with or
3 provide material support or resources to
4 terrorist organizations abroad or terrorist
5 infiltration into the United States, includ-
6 ing United States citizens and foreign na-
7 tionals; and”.

8 **SEC. 4. NO ADDITIONAL FUNDS AUTHORIZED.**

9 No additional funds are authorized to carry out the
10 requirements of this Act and the amendments made by
11 this Act. Such requirements shall be carried out using
12 amounts otherwise authorized.

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