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H. R. 3210

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JULY 27, 2017

Received; read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and
Governmental Affairs

AN ACT

To require the Director of the National Background Investigations Bureau to submit a report on the backlog of personnel security clearance investigations, 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,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Securely Expediting
3 Clearances Through Reporting Transparency Act of
4 2017” or the “SECRET Act of 2017”.

5 **SEC. 2. REPORT ON BACKLOG OF PERSONNEL SECURITY**
6 **CLEARANCE INVESTIGATIONS.**

7 Not later than 90 days after the date of enactment
8 of this Act, and quarterly thereafter for 5 years, the Direc-
9 tor of the National Background Investigations Bureau of
10 the Office of Personnel Management shall submit to Con-
11 gress a report on the backlog of security clearance inves-
12 tigation that includes—

13 (1) the size of the personnel security clearance
14 investigation process backlog; and

15 (2) the average length of time, for each sensi-
16 tivity level, to carry out an initial investigation and
17 a periodic investigation.

18 **SEC. 3. REPORT ON SECURITY CLEARANCE INVESTIGA-**
19 **TIONS OF PERSONNEL OF THE EXECUTIVE**
20 **OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.**

21 Not later than 90 days after the date of enactment
22 of this Act, the Director of the National Background In-
23 vestigations Bureau of the Office of Personnel Manage-
24 ment shall submit to Congress a report that explains the
25 process for conducting and adjudicating security clearance

1 investigations for personnel of the Executive Office of the
2 President, including White House personnel.

3 **SEC. 4. REPORT ON DUPLICATIVE COSTS.**

4 Not later than 120 days after the date of enactment
5 of this Act, the Director of the National Background In-
6 vestigations Bureau of the Office of Personnel Manage-
7 ment shall submit to Congress a report on the cost of du-
8 plicating resources under the control or direction of the
9 National Background Investigations Bureau for imple-
10 mentation of the plan referenced in section 951(a)(1) of
11 the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year
12 2017 (10 U.S.C. 1564 note).

Passed the House of Representatives July 26, 2017.

Attest:

KAREN L. HAAS,

Clerk.