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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,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; REFERENCES.**

2 (a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the
3 “Preparedness Against Terrorism Act of 2000”.

4 (b) REFERENCES.—Except as otherwise specifically
5 provided, whenever in this Act an amendment or repeal
6 is expressed in terms of an amendment to, or repeal of,
7 a section or other provision of law, the reference shall be
8 considered to be made to a section or other provision of
9 the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency As-
10 sistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5121 et seq.).

11 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS AND PURPOSES.**

12 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds that—

13 (1) the President should strengthen Federal
14 interagency emergency planning by the Federal
15 Emergency Management Agency and other appro-
16 priate Federal, State, and local agencies for develop-
17 ment of a capability for early detection and warning
18 of and response to potential domestic terrorist at-
19 tacks involving weapons of mass destruction; and

20 (2) Federal efforts to assist State and local
21 emergency preparedness and response personnel in
22 preparation for domestic terrorist attacks should be
23 coordinated so as to eliminate duplicative Federal
24 programs.

25 (b) PURPOSES.—The purposes of this Act include—

9 SEC. 3. DEFINITION OF MAJOR DISASTER.

10 Section 102(2) (42 U.S.C. 5122(2)) is amended to
11 read as follows:

12 “(2) MAJOR DISASTER.—‘Major disaster’ means
13 any natural catastrophe (including any hurricane,
14 tornado, storm, high water, winddriven water, tidal
15 wave, tsunami, earthquake, volcanic eruption, land-
16 slide, mudslide, snowstorm, snow drought, or
17 drought), or, regardless of cause, any fire, flood, ex-
18 plosion, act of terrorism, or other catastrophic event
19 in any part of the United States, which in the deter-
20 mination of the President causes damage of suffi-
21 cient severity and magnitude to warrant major dis-
22 aster assistance under this Act to supplement the ef-
23 forts and available resources of States, local govern-
24 ments, and disaster relief organizations in alleviating

1 the damage, loss, hardship, or suffering caused
2 thereby.”.

3 **SEC. 4. ADMINISTRATION OF EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS**

4 **PROGRAMS BY THE PRESIDENT.**

5 Title VI (42 U.S.C. 5195 et seq.) is amended—

6 (1) by striking “Director” each place it appears
7 (other than in sections 602(a)(7) and 603) and in-
8 serting “President”;

9 (2) in section 603 by striking “Director of the
10 Federal Emergency Management Agency” and in-
11 serting “President”;

12 (3) in section 611(c)—

13 (A) by striking “With the approval of the
14 President, the” and inserting “The”; and

15 (B) by striking “responsibilities and re-
16 view” and inserting “responsibilities. The Presi-
17 dent shall review”;

18 (4) in section 621(g) by striking the second
19 sentence;

20 (5) in section 623—

21 (A) by striking paragraph (1) and redesign-
22 ating paragraphs (2) and (3) as paragraphs
23 (1) and (2), respectively; and

24 (B) in paragraph (2) (as so redesignated)
25 by striking “unless” and all that follows

1 through “approval of the President,” and in-
2 serting “unless the President”; and
3 (6) in section 624 by striking “to the President
4 and Congress” and inserting “to Congress”.

5 **SEC. 5. DEFINITIONS.**

6 (a) **HAZARD.**—Section 602(a)(1)(B) (42 U.S.C.
7 5195a(a)(1)(B)) is amended by striking the period at the
8 end and inserting “, including a domestic terrorist attack
9 involving a weapon of mass destruction.”.

10 (b) **NATURAL DISASTER.**—Section 602(a)(2) (42
11 U.S.C. 5195a(a)(2)) is amended to read as follows:

12 “(2) **NATURAL DISASTER.**—The term ‘natural
13 disaster’ means any hurricane, tornado, storm, flood,
14 high water, wind-driven water, tidal wave, tsunami,
15 earthquake, volcanic eruption, landslide, mudslide,
16 snowstorm, snow drought, drought, fire, or other ca-
17 tastrophe in any part of the United States which
18 causes, or which may cause, substantial damage or
19 injury to civilian property or persons.”.

20 (c) **EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS.**—Section
21 602(a)(3)(A) (42 U.S.C. 5195a(a)(3)(A)) is amended by
22 inserting “the predeployment of these and other essential
23 resources (including personnel),” before “the provision of
24 suitable warning systems.”.

1 (d) DIRECTOR.—Section 602(a) (42 U.S.C.
2 5195a(a)) is amended by striking paragraph (7) and re-
3 designating paragraphs (8), (9), and (10) as paragraphs
4 (7), (8), and (9), respectively.

5 (e) WEAPON OF MASS DESTRUCTION.—Section 602
6 (42 U.S.C. 5195a) is amended by adding at the end the
7 following:

8 “(10) WEAPON OF MASS DESTRUCTION.—The
9 term ‘weapon of mass destruction’ means any weap-
10 on or device that is intended, or has the capability,
11 to cause death or serious bodily injury to a signifi-
12 cant number of people through the release, dissemi-
13 nation, or impact of—

14 “(A) toxic or poisonous chemicals or their
15 precursors;

16 “(B) a disease organism; or

17 “(C) radiation or radioactivity.”.

18 **SEC. 6. DETAILED FUNCTIONS OF ADMINISTRATION.**

19 (a) FEDERAL EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLANS AND
20 PROGRAMS.—Section 611(b) (42 U.S.C. 5196(b)) is
21 amended—

22 (1) by striking “may prepare” and inserting
23 “shall prepare”; and

24 (2) by adding at the end the following: “In ac-
25 cordance with section 313, the President shall en-

1 sure that Federal response plans and programs are
2 adequate to respond to the consequences of ter-
3 rorism directed against a target in the United
4 States, including terrorism involving weapons of
5 mass destruction.”.

6 (b) EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS MEASURES.—Sec-
7 tion 611(e) (42 U.S.C. 5196(e)) is amended—

8 (1) in paragraph (1) by inserting “preventing
9 and” before “treating”;

10 (2) in paragraph (2) by striking “developing
11 shelter designs” and inserting “development of shel-
12 ter designs, equipment, clothing,”; and

13 (3) in paragraph (3) by striking “developing”
14 and all that follows through “thereof” and inserting
15 “development and standardization of equipment and
16 facilities”.

17 (c) TRAINING AND EXERCISE PROGRAMS.—Section
18 611(f) (42 U.S.C. 5196(f)) is amended—

19 (1) in the subsection heading by inserting “AND
20 EXERCISE” after “TRAINING”;

21 (2) in paragraph (1)(A) by inserting “and exer-
22 cise” after “training”;

23 (3) by redesignating paragraphs (2) and (3) as
24 paragraphs (3) and (4), respectively; and

1 (4) by inserting after paragraph (1) the fol-
2 lowing:

3 “(2) The President shall establish priorities among
4 training and exercise programs for preparedness against
5 terrorist attacks based on an assessment of the existing
6 threats, capabilities, and objectives.”.

7 SEC. 7. REPEALS.

8 (a) USE OF FUNDS TO PREPARE FOR AND RESPOND
9 TO HAZARDS.—Section 615 (42 U.S.C. 5196d) is re-
10 pealed.

11 (b) SECURITY REGULATIONS.—Section 622 (42
12 U.S.C. 5197a) is repealed.

13 SEC. 8. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

14 Section 626 (42 U.S.C. 5197e) is amended—

15 (1) by redesignating subsection (b) as sub-
16 section (c); and

17 (2) by inserting after subsection (a) the fol-
18 lowing:

19 "(b) PRIORITIES.—Amounts appropriated pursuant
20 to this section for training and exercise programs for pre-
21 paredness against terrorist attacks shall be used in a man-
22 ner consistent with the priorities established under section
23 611(f)(2).".

1 **SEC. 9. PRESIDENT'S COUNCIL ON DOMESTIC TERRORISM**2 **PREPAREDNESS.**

3 Title VI of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and
4 Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5195 et seq.) is
5 amended by adding at the end the following:

6 **“Subtitle C—President’s Council on
7 Domestic Terrorism Preparedness**8 **“SEC. 651. ESTABLISHMENT OF COUNCIL.**

9 “(a) IN GENERAL.—There is established a council to
10 be known as the President’s Council on Domestic Ter-
11 rorism Preparedness (in this subtitle referred to as the
12 ‘Council’).

13 “(b) MEMBERSHIP.—The Council shall be composed
14 of the following members:

15 “(1) The President.

16 “(2) The Director of the Federal Emergency
17 Management Agency.

18 “(3) The Attorney General.

19 “(4) The Secretary of Defense.

20 “(5) The Director of the Office of Management
21 and Budget.

22 “(6) The Assistant to the President for Na-
23 tional Security Affairs.

24 “(7) Any additional members appointed by the
25 President.

26 “(c) CHAIRMAN.—

1 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The President shall serve
2 as the chairman of the Council.

3 “(2) EXECUTIVE CHAIRMAN.—The President
4 may appoint an Executive Chairman of the Council
5 (in this subtitle referred to as the ‘Executive Chair-
6 man’). The Executive Chairman shall represent the
7 President as chairman of the Council, including in
8 communications with Congress and State Governors.

9 “(3) SENATE CONFIRMATION.—An individual
10 selected to be the Executive Chairman under para-
11 graph (2) shall be appointed by and with the advice
12 and consent of the Senate, except that Senate con-
13 firmation shall not be required if, on the date of ap-
14 pointment, the individual holds a position for which
15 Senate confirmation was required.

16 “(d) FIRST MEETING.—The first meeting of the
17 Council shall be held not later than 90 days after the date
18 of the enactment of this Act.

19 **“SEC. 652. DUTIES OF COUNCIL.**

20 “The Council shall carry out the following duties:

21 “(1) Establish the policies, objectives, and pri-
22 orities of the Federal Government for enhancing the
23 capabilities of State and local emergency prepared-
24 ness and response personnel in early detection and
25 warning of and response to all domestic terrorist at-

1 tacks, including attacks involving weapons of mass
2 destruction.

3 “(2) Publish a Domestic Terrorism Prepared-
4 ness Plan and an annual strategy for carrying out
5 the plan in accordance with section 653, including
6 the end state of preparedness for emergency re-
7 sponders established under section 653(b)(1)(D).

8 “(3) To the extent practicable, rely on existing
9 resources (including planning documents, equipment
10 lists, and program inventories) in the execution of
11 its duties.

12 “(4) Consult with and utilize existing inter-
13 agency boards and committees, existing govern-
14 mental entities, and non-governmental organizations
15 in the execution of its duties.

16 “(5) Ensure that a biennial review of the ter-
17 rorist attack preparedness programs of State and
18 local governmental entities is conducted and provide
19 recommendations to the entities based on the re-
20 views.

21 “(6) Provide for the creation of a State and
22 local advisory group for the Council, to be composed
23 of individuals involved in State and local emergency
24 preparedness and response to terrorist attacks.

1 “(7) Provide for the establishment by the Coun-
2 cil’s State and local advisory group of voluntary
3 guidelines for the terrorist attack preparedness pro-
4 grams of State and local governmental entities in ac-
5 cordance with section 655.

6 “(8) Designate a Federal entity to consult with,
7 and serve as a contact for, State and local govern-
8 mental entities implementing terrorist attack pre-
9 paredness programs.

10 “(9) Coordinate and oversee the implementation
11 by Federal departments and agencies of the policies,
12 objectives, and priorities established under para-
13 graph (1) and the fulfillment of the responsibilities
14 of such departments and agencies under the Domes-
15 tic Terrorism Preparedness Plan.

16 “(10) Make recommendations to the heads of
17 appropriate Federal departments and agencies
18 regarding—

19 “(A) changes in the organization, manage-
20 ment, and resource allocations of the depart-
21 ments and agencies; and

22 “(B) the allocation of personnel to and
23 within the departments and agencies,
24 to implement the Domestic Terrorism Preparedness
25 Plan.

1 “(11) Assess all Federal terrorism preparedness
2 programs and ensure that each program complies
3 with the Domestic Terrorism Preparedness Plan.

4 “(12) Identify duplication, fragmentation, and
5 overlap within Federal terrorism preparedness pro-
6 grams and eliminate such duplication, fragmentation
7 and overlap.

8 “(13) Evaluate Federal emergency response as-
9 sets and make recommendations regarding the orga-
10 nization, need, and geographic location of such as-
11 sets.

12 “(14) Establish general policies regarding fi-
13 nancial assistance to States based on potential risk
14 and threat, response capabilities, and ability to
15 achieve the end state of preparedness for emergency
16 responders established under section 653(b)(1)(D).

17 “(15) Notify a Federal department or agency in
18 writing if the Council finds that its policies are not
19 in compliance with its responsibilities under the Do-
20 mestic Terrorism Preparedness Plan.

21 "SEC. 653. DOMESTIC TERRORISM PREPAREDNESS PLAN
22 AND ANNUAL STRATEGY.

23 "(a) DEVELOPMENT OF PLAN.—Not later than 180
24 days after the date of the first meeting of the Council,

1 the Council shall develop a Domestic Terrorism Prepared-
2 ness Plan and transmit a copy of the plan to Congress.

3 “(b) CONTENTS.—

4 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Domestic Terrorism
5 Preparedness Plan shall include the following:

6 “(A) A statement of the policies, objec-
7 tives, and priorities established by the Council
8 under section 652(1).

9 “(B) A plan for implementing such poli-
10 cies, objectives, and priorities that is based on
11 a threat, risk, and capability assessment and in-
12 cludes measurable objectives to be achieved in
13 each of the following 5 years for enhancing do-
14 mestic preparedness against a terrorist attack.

15 “(C) A description of the specific role of
16 each Federal department and agency, and the
17 roles of State and local governmental entities,
18 under the plan developed under subparagraph
19 (B).

20 “(D) A definition of an end state of pre-
21 paredness for emergency responders that sets
22 forth measurable, minimum standards of ac-
23 ceptability for preparedness.

24 “(2) EVALUATION OF FEDERAL RESPONSE
25 TEAMS.—In preparing the description under para-

1 graph (1)(C), the Council shall evaluate each Fed-
2 eral response team and the assistance that the team
3 offers to State and local emergency personnel when
4 responding to a terrorist attack. The evaluation shall
5 include an assessment of how the Federal response
6 team will assist State and local emergency personnel
7 after the personnel has achieved the end state of
8 preparedness for emergency responders established
9 under paragraph (1)(D).

10 “(c) ANNUAL STRATEGY.—

11 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Council shall develop
12 and transmit to Congress, on the date of transmittal
13 of the Domestic Terrorism Preparedness Plan and,
14 in each of the succeeding 4 fiscal years, on the date
15 that the President submits an annual budget to Con-
16 gress in accordance with section 1105(a) of title 31,
17 United States Code, an annual strategy for carrying
18 out the Domestic Terrorism Preparedness Plan in
19 the fiscal year following the fiscal year in which the
20 strategy is submitted.

21 “(2) CONTENTS.—The annual strategy for a
22 fiscal year shall include the following:

23 “(A) An inventory of Federal training and
24 exercise programs, response teams, grant pro-
25 grams, and other programs and activities re-

1 lated to domestic preparedness against a ter-
2 rorist attack conducted in the preceding fiscal
3 year and a determination as to whether any of
4 such programs or activities may be duplicative.
5 The inventory shall consist of a complete de-
6 scription of each such program and activity, in-
7 cluding the funding level and purpose of and
8 goal to be achieved by the program or activity.

9 “(B) If the Council determines under sub-
10 paragraph (A) that certain programs and activi-
11 ties are duplicative, a detailed plan for consoli-
12 dating, eliminating, or modifying the programs
13 and activities.

14 “(C) An inventory of Federal training and
15 exercise programs, grant programs, response
16 teams, and other programs and activities to be
17 conducted in such fiscal year under the Domes-
18 tic Terrorism Preparedness Plan and measur-
19 able objectives to be achieved in such fiscal year
20 for enhancing domestic preparedness against a
21 terrorist attack. The inventory shall provide for
22 implementation of any plan developed under
23 subparagraph (B), relating to duplicative pro-
24 grams and activities.

1 “(D) A complete assessment of how re-
2 source allocation recommendations developed
3 under section 654(a) are intended to implement
4 the annual strategy.

5 “(d) CONSULTATION.—

6 “(1) IN GENERAL.—In developing the Domestic
7 Terrorism Preparedness Plan and each annual strat-
8 egy for carrying out the plan, the Council shall con-
9 sult with—

10 “(A) the head of each Federal department
11 and agency that will have responsibilities under
12 the Domestic Terrorism Preparedness Plan or
13 annual strategy;

14 “(B) Congress;

15 “(C) State and local officials;

16 “(D) congressionally authorized panels;
17 and

18 “(E) emergency preparedness organiza-
19 tions with memberships that include State and
20 local emergency responders.

21 “(2) REPORTS.—As part of the Domestic Ter-
22 rorism Preparedness Plan and each annual strategy
23 for carrying out the plan, the Council shall include
24 a written statement indicating the persons consulted

1 under this subsection and the recommendations
2 made by such persons.

3 “(e) TRANSMISSION OF CLASSIFIED INFORMA-
4 TION.—Any part of the Domestic Terrorism Preparedness
5 Plan or an annual strategy for carrying out the plan that
6 involves information properly classified under criteria es-
7 tablished by an Executive order shall be presented to Con-
8 gress separately.

9 “(f) RISK OF TERRORIST ATTACKS AGAINST TRANS-
10 PORTATION FACILITIES.—

11 “(1) IN GENERAL.—In developing the plan and
12 risk assessment under subsection (b), the Council
13 shall designate an entity to assess the risk of ter-
14 rorist attacks against transportation facilities, per-
15 sonnel, and passengers.

16 “(2) CONTENTS.—In developing the plan and
17 risk assessment under subsection (b), the Council
18 shall ensure that the following three tasks are ac-
19 complished:

20 “(A) An examination of the extent to
21 which transportation facilities, personnel, and
22 passengers have been the target of terrorist at-
23 tacks and the extent to which such facilities,
24 personnel, and passengers are vulnerable to
25 such attacks.

1 “(B) An evaluation of Federal laws that
2 can be used to combat terrorist attacks against
3 transportation facilities, personnel, and pas-
4 sengers, and the extent to which such laws are
5 enforced. The evaluation may also include a re-
6 view of applicable State laws.

7 “(C) An evaluation of available tech-
8 nologies and practices to determine the best
9 means of protecting transportation facilities,
10 personnel, and passengers against terrorist at-
11 tacks.

12 “(3) CONSULTATION.—In developing the plan
13 and risk assessment under subsection (b), the Coun-
14 cil shall consult with the Secretary of Transpor-
15 tation, representatives of persons providing transpor-
16 tation, and representatives of employees of such per-
17 sons.

18 “(g) MONITORING.—The Council, with the assistance
19 of the Inspector General of the relevant Federal depart-
20 ment or agency as needed, shall monitor the implemen-
21 tation of the Domestic Terrorism Preparedness Plan, includ-
22 ing conducting program and performance audits and eval-
23 uations.

1 **“SEC. 654. NATIONAL DOMESTIC PREPAREDNESS BUDGET.**2 “(a) RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING RESOURCE
3 ALLOCATIONS.—4 “(1) TRANSMITTAL TO COUNCIL.—Each Fed-
5 eral Government program manager, agency head,
6 and department head with responsibilities under the
7 Domestic Terrorism Preparedness Plan shall trans-
8 mit to the Council for each fiscal year recommended
9 resource allocations for programs and activities re-
10 lating to such responsibilities on or before the earlier
11 of—12 “(A) the 45th day before the date of the
13 budget submission of the department or agency
14 to the Director of the Office of Management
15 and Budget for the fiscal year; or16 “(B) August 15 of the fiscal year pre-
17 ceding the fiscal year for which the rec-
18 ommendations are being made.19 “(2) TRANSMITTAL TO THE OFFICE OF MAN-
20 AGEMENT AND BUDGET.—The Council shall develop
21 for each fiscal year recommendations regarding re-
22 source allocations for each program and activity
23 identified in the annual strategy completed under
24 section 653 for the fiscal year. Such recommenda-
25 tions shall be submitted to the relevant departments
26 and agencies and to the Director of the Office of

1 Management and Budget. The Director of the Office
2 of Management and Budget shall consider such rec-
3 ommendations in formulating the annual budget of
4 the President submitted to Congress under section
5 1105(a) of title 31, United States Code, and shall
6 provide to the Council a written explanation in any
7 case in which the Director does not accept such a
8 recommendation.

9 “(3) RECORDS.—The Council shall maintain
10 records regarding recommendations made and writ-
11 ten explanations received under paragraph (2) and
12 shall provide such records to Congress upon request.
13 The Council may not fulfill such a request before the
14 date of submission of the relevant annual budget of
15 the President to Congress under section 1105(a) of
16 title 31, United States Code.

17 “(4) NEW PROGRAMS OR REALLOCATION OF
18 RESOURCES.—The head of a Federal department or
19 agency shall consult with the Council before acting
20 to enhance the capabilities of State and local emer-
21 gency preparedness and response personnel with re-
22 spect to terrorist attacks by—

23 “(A) establishing a new program or office;
24 or

1 “(B) reallocating resources, including Fed-
2 eral response teams.

3 **“SEC. 655. VOLUNTARY GUIDELINES FOR STATE AND**
4 **LOCAL PROGRAMS.**

5 “The Council shall provide for the establishment of
6 voluntary guidelines for the terrorist attack preparedness
7 programs of State and local governmental entities for the
8 purpose of providing guidance in the development and im-
9 plementation of such programs. The guidelines shall ad-
10 dress equipment, exercises, and training and shall estab-
11 lish a desired threshold level of preparedness for State and
12 local emergency responders.

13 **“SEC. 656. POWERS OF COUNCIL.**

14 “In carrying out this subtitle, the Council may—

15 “(1) direct, with the concurrence of the Sec-
16 retary of a department or head of an agency, the
17 temporary reassignment within the Federal Govern-
18 ment of personnel employed by such department or
19 agency;

20 “(2) use for administrative purposes, on a reim-
21 bursable basis, the available services, equipment,
22 personnel, and facilities of Federal, State, and local
23 agencies;

24 “(3) procure the services of experts and con-
25 sultants in accordance with section 3109 of title 5,

1 United States Code, relating to appointments in the
2 Federal Service, at rates of compensation for indi-
3 viduals not to exceed the daily equivalent of the rate
4 of pay payable for GS-18 of the General Schedule
5 under section 5332 of title 5, United States Code;

6 “(4) accept and use donations of property from
7 Federal, State, and local government agencies;

8 “(5) use the mails in the same manner as any
9 other department or agency of the executive branch;
10 and

11 “(6) request the assistance of the Inspector
12 General of a Federal department or agency in con-
13 ducting audits and evaluations under section 653(g).

14 "SEC. 657. ROLE OF COUNCIL IN NATIONAL SECURITY
15 COUNCIL EFFORTS.

16 “The Council may, in the Council’s role as principal
17 adviser to the National Security Council on Federal efforts
18 to assist State and local governmental entities in domestic
19 terrorist attack preparedness matters, and subject to the
20 direction of the President, attend and participate in meet-
21 ings of the National Security Council. The Council may,
22 subject to the direction of the President, participate in the
23 National Security Council’s working group structure.

1 **“SEC. 658. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND STAFF OF COUNCIL.**

2 “(a) EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR.—The Council shall have
3 an Executive Director who shall be appointed by the Presi-
4 dent.

5 “(b) STAFF.—The Executive Director may appoint
6 such personnel as the Executive Director considers appro-
7 priate. Such personnel shall be assigned to the Council on
8 a full-time basis and shall report to the Executive Direc-
9 tor.

10 “(c) ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT SERVICES.—The
11 Executive Office of the President shall provide to the
12 Council, on a reimbursable basis, such administrative sup-
13 port services, including office space, as the Council may
14 request.

15 **“SEC. 659. COORDINATION WITH EXECUTIVE BRANCH DE-
16 PARTMENTS AND AGENCIES.**

17 “(a) REQUESTS FOR ASSISTANCE.—The head of each
18 Federal department and agency with responsibilities under
19 the Domestic Terrorism Preparedness Plan shall cooper-
20 ate with the Council and, subject to laws governing disclo-
21 sure of information, provide such assistance, information,
22 and advice as the Council may request.

23 “(b) CERTIFICATION OF POLICY CHANGES BY COUN-
24 CIL.—

25 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The head of each Federal
26 department and agency with responsibilities under

1 the Domestic Terrorism Preparedness Plan shall,
2 unless exigent circumstances require otherwise, no-
3 tify the Council in writing regarding any proposed
4 change in policies relating to the activities of such
5 department or agency under the Domestic Terrorism
6 Preparedness Plan prior to implementation of such
7 change. The Council shall promptly review such pro-
8 posed change and certify to the department or agen-
9 cy head in writing whether such change is consistent
10 with the Domestic Terrorism Preparedness Plan.

11 “(2) NOTICE IN EXIGENT CIRCUMSTANCES.—If
12 prior notice of a proposed change under paragraph
13 (1) is not possible, the department or agency head
14 shall notify the Council as soon as practicable. The
15 Council shall review such change and certify to the
16 department or agency head in writing whether such
17 change is consistent with the Domestic Terrorism
18 Preparedness Plan.

19 **“SEC. 660. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

20 “There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out
21 this subtitle \$9,000,000 for fiscal year 2001 and such
22 sums as may be necessary for each of fiscal years 2002

1 through 2005. Such sums shall remain available until ex-
2 pended.”.

Passed the House of Representatives July 25, 2000.

Attest:

Clerk.