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H. R. 3344

To direct the National Science Foundation to identify opportunities for collaboration with other Federal agencies, to increase the utilization of existing technologies, and to give priority to the development of new research areas to assist in the detection of, prevention of, and improved response to potential terrorist acts.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOVEMBER 19, 2001

Mr. SMITH of Michigan (for himself, Mr. SMITH of Texas, Mr. ROHR-ABACHER, Ms. LOFGREN, Ms. RIVERS, Mr. GUTKNECHT, Ms. HART, and Mr. AKIN) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Science

A BILL

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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. IDENTIFICATION OF OPPORTUNITIES AND PRI-**
4 **ORITY.**

5 The National Science Foundation shall—

1 (1) examine its research portfolio so as to iden-
2 tify opportunities for collaboration with the Defense
3 Advanced Research Projects Agency and other Fed-
4 eral agencies to increase the utilization and deploy-
5 ment of new technologies for the detection and pre-
6 vention of, and improved response to, potential ter-
7 rorist acts; and

8 (2) identify new research opportunities to ad-
9 vance the detection of, prevention of, and response
10 to potential terrorist acts, and give priority to such
11 research.

12 **SEC. 2. PEER REVIEW.**

13 Nothing in this Act shall be construed to authorize
14 the circumventing of any peer review procedures employed
15 by the National Science Foundation.

16 **SEC. 3. REPORT TO CONGRESS.**

17 Not later than 90 days after the date of the enact-
18 ment of this Act, the Director of the National Science
19 Foundation shall transmit to the Congress a report on the
20 findings of the National Science Foundation resulting
21 from activities carried out under section 1.

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