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2<sup>D</sup> SESSION

# H. R. 1333

[Report No. 110–691, Parts I and II]

To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to direct the Secretary to enter into an agreement with the Secretary of the Air Force to use Civil Air Patrol personnel and resources to support homeland security missions.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 6, 2007

Mr. DENT (for himself, Mrs. EMERSON, Mr. EHLERS, Mr. LAHOOD, Mr. REICHERT, Mr. GERLACH, Ms. GINNY BROWN-WAITE of Florida, Mr. KIRK, Mr. PATRICK J. MURPHY of Pennsylvania, Ms. FOXX, Mr. MCCAUL of Texas, Mr. ROGERS of Alabama, Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland, Mr. UPTON, Mr. HOLDEN, Mr. GRAVES, Mr. PLATTS, Mr. KING of Iowa, Mr. RUPPERSBERGER, Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania, Mr. MICHAUD, Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania, Mr. MCCOTTER, Mr. TERRY, Mr. DUNCAN, Mr. SHUSTER, Mr. BURTON of Indiana, Mr. GOHMERT, Mr. RENZI, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. SPRATT, Mr. SMITH of Nebraska, Mr. TOM DAVIS of Virginia, Mr. BOSWELL, and Mr. KING of New York) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Homeland Security, and in addition to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

JUNE 5, 2008

Reported from the Committee on Homeland Security with amendments

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in *italie*]

JUNE 5, 2008

Referral to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure extended for a period ending not later than June 13, 2008

JUNE 12, 2008

Additional sponsors: Mrs. MYRICK, Mrs. CUBIN, Mr. RAMSTAD, Ms.

SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. TANCREDO, Mr. WOLF, Mr. PASTOR, Mr. BUYER, Ms. HERSETH SANDLIN, Mr. BROWN of South Carolina, Mr. JINDAL, Mr. CAMPBELL of California, Mr. CUELLAR, Mr. MELANCON, Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota, Mr. PERLMUTTER, Mr. REYNOLDS, Mrs. MILLER of Michigan, Mr. BERMAN, Mr. KUHL of New York, Mr. CARNEY, and Mrs. McMORRIS RODGERS

JUNE 12, 2008

Reported from the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure with amendments

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[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on March 6, 2007]

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## A BILL

To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to direct the Secretary to enter into an agreement with the Secretary of the Air Force to use Civil Air Patrol personnel and resources to support homeland security missions.

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. CIVIL AIR PATROL STUDY.**

4        *(a) STUDY.—The Comptroller General of the United*  
 5 *States shall conduct a study of the functions and capabili-*  
 6 *ties of the Civil Air Patrol to support the homeland security*  
 7 *missions of State, local, and tribal governments and the De-*  
 8 *partment of Homeland Security. In conducting the study,*  
 9 *the Comptroller General shall review the process by which*  
 10 *the Civil Air Patrol may provide assistance to the Secretary*  
 11 *of Homeland Security, other Federal agencies, and States*  
 12 *to support homeland security missions by—*

1           (1) *providing aerial reconnaissance or commu-*  
2           *nications capabilities for border security;*

3           (2) *providing capabilities for collective response*  
4           *to an act of terrorism, natural disaster, or other man-*  
5           *made event, by assisting in damage assessment and*  
6           *situational awareness, conducting search and rescue*  
7           *operations, assisting in evacuations, transporting*  
8           *time-sensitive medical or other materials; or*

9           (3) *such other activities as may be determined*  
10          *appropriate by the Comptroller General in the con-*  
11          *duct of this review.*

12          (b) *REPORT.*—*Not later than 180 days after the date*  
13          *of enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General shall sub-*  
14          *mit to the Committee on Homeland Security of the House*  
15          *of Representatives and the Committee on Homeland Secu-*  
16          *rity and Governmental Affairs of the Senate a report con-*  
17          *taining the findings of the review conducted under sub-*  
18          *section (a). The report shall include—*

19                 (1) *an assessment of the feasibility and cost-effec-*  
20                 *tiveness of using Civil Air Patrol assets for the pur-*  
21                 *poses described in subsection (a); and*

22                 (2) *an assessment as to whether the current*  
23                 *mechanisms for Federal agencies and States to request*  
24                 *support from the Civil Air Patrol are sufficient or*

1       *whether new agreements between relevant Federal*  
2       *agencies and the Civil Air Patrol are necessary.*

3       (c) *REPORT TO CONGRESS.*—*Not later than 90 days*  
4 *after completing the study under this section, the Secretary*  
5 *of Homeland Security shall review and analyze the study*  
6 *and submit to the Committee on Homeland Security of the*  
7 *House of Representatives and the Committee on Homeland*  
8 *Security and Governmental Affairs of the Senate a report*  
9 *on such review and analysis, which shall include any rec-*  
10 *ommendations of the Secretary for further action that could*  
11 *affect the organization and administration of the Depart-*  
12 *ment of Homeland Security.*

Amend the title so as to read: “A bill to direct the Comptroller General of the United States to conduct a study on the use of Civil Air Patrol personnel and resources to support homeland security missions, and for other purposes.”.

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17 **homeland security missions of State, local,**  
18 **and tribal governments and the Department**  
19 **of Homeland Security. In conducting the**  
20 **study, the Comptroller General shall review**  
21 **the process by which the Civil Air Patrol may**

1 **provide assistance to the Secretary of Home-**  
2 **land Security, other Federal agencies, and**  
3 **States to support homeland security missions**  
4 **by—**

5           **(1) providing aerial reconnaissance or**  
6           **communications capabilities for border**  
7           **security;**

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12          **situational awareness, conducting search**  
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16          **(3) such other activities as may be de-**  
17          **termined appropriate by the Comptroller**  
18          **General in the conduct of this review.**

19          **(b) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after**  
20 **the date of enactment of this Act, the Comp-**  
21 **troller General shall submit to the Committee**  
22 **on Homeland Security and the Committee on**  
23 **Transportation and Infrastructure of the**  
24 **House of Representatives and the Committee**  
25 **on Homeland Security and Governmental Af-**

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2 findings of the review conducted under sub-  
3 section (a). The report shall include—

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