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To require a review of information regarding persons who have traveled or attempted to travel from the United States to support terrorist organizations in Syria and Iraq, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. HURD of Texas (for himself, Mr. McCAUL, Mr. KATKO, Mr. LOUDERMILK, Ms. McSALLY, Mr. RATCLIFFE, Ms. LORETTA SANCHEZ of California, Mr. VELA, and Mr. PAYNE) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Homeland Security

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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Foreign Fighter Re-
5 view Act of 2016”.

1 **SEC. 2. UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT REVIEW OF CER-**
2 **TAIN FOREIGN FIGHTERS.**

3 (a) REVIEW.—Not later than 30 days after the date
4 of the enactment of this Act, the President, acting through
5 the Secretary of Homeland Security, shall initiate a review
6 of known instances since 2011 in which a person has trav-
7 eled or attempted to travel to a conflict zone in Iraq or
8 Syria from the United States to join or provide material
9 support or resources to a terrorist organization. Such re-
10 view shall—

11 (1) include relevant unclassified and classified
12 information held by the United States Government
13 related to each instance;

14 (2) ascertain which factors, including oper-
15 ational issues, security vulnerabilities, systemic chal-
16 lenges, or other issues that may have undermined ef-
17 forts to prevent the travel of such persons to a con-
18 flict zone in Iraq or Syria from the United States,
19 including the timely identification of suspects, infor-
20 mation sharing, intervention, and interdiction; and

21 (3) identify lessons learned and areas for im-
22 provement to prevent additional travel by such per-
23 sons to a conflict zone in Iraq or Syria, or other ter-
24 rorist safe havens abroad, to join or provide material
25 support or resources to a terrorist organization.

1 (b) INFORMATION SHARING.—If necessary, the Presi-
2 dent shall direct the heads of relevant Federal agencies
3 to provide the appropriate information necessary for the
4 Secretary of Homeland Security to complete the review re-
5 quired under subsection (a).

6 (c) SUBMISSION TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 120
7 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-
8 retary of Homeland Security shall, consistent with the
9 protection of classified information, submit to the appro-
10 priate congressional committees the results of the review
11 required under subsection (a).

12 (d) PROHIBITION ON ADDITIONAL FUNDING.—No
13 additional funds are authorized to be appropriated to
14 carry out this section. This section shall be carried out
15 using amounts otherwise appropriated or made available
16 to the Department of Homeland Security.

17 (e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

18 (1) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-
19 TEES.—The term “appropriate congressional com-
20 mittees” means—

21 (A) in the House of Representatives—

22 (i) the Committee on Homeland Secu-
23 rity;

24 (ii) the Permanent Select Committee
25 on Intelligence;

1 (iii) the Committee on the Judiciary;

2 (iv) the Committee on Armed Serv-

3 ices;

4 (v) the Committee on Foreign Affairs;

5 (vi) the Committee on Financial Serv-

6 ices; and

7 (vii) the Committee on Appropria-

8 tions; and

9 (B) in the Senate—

10 (i) the Committee on Homeland Secu-

11 rity and Governmental Affairs;

12 (ii) the Select Committee on Intel-

13 ligence;

14 (iii) the Committee on the Judiciary;

15 (iv) the Committee on Armed Serv-

16 ices;

17 (v) the Committee on Foreign Rela-

18 tions;

19 (vi) the Committee on Banking, Hous-

20 ing, and Urban Affairs; and

21 (vii) the Committee on Appropria-

22 tions.

23 (2) MATERIAL SUPPORT OR RESOURCES.—The

24 term “material support or resources” has the mean-

1 ing given such term in section 2339A of title 18,
2 United States Code.

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