

## Union Calendar No. 21

115<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
1<sup>ST</sup> SESSION

# H. R. 1297

**[Report No. 115–41]**

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### IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 1, 2017

Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Homeland Security

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# **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 “Quadrennial Homeland  
5 Security Review Technical Corrections Act of 2017”.

6 **SEC. 2. TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO QUADRENNIAL**  
7 **HOMELAND SECURITY REVIEW.**

8       (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 707 of the Homeland Se-  
9 curity Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 347) is amended—

10           (1) in subsection (a)(3)—

11                   (A) in subparagraph (B), by striking  
12 “and” after the semicolon at the end;

13                   (B) by redesignating subparagraph (C) as  
14 subparagraph (D); and

15                   (C) by inserting after subparagraph (B)  
16 the following new subparagraph:

17                   “(C) representatives from appropriate ad-  
18 visory committees established pursuant to sec-  
19 tion 871, including the Homeland Security Ad-  
20 visory Council and the Homeland Security  
21 Science and Technology Advisory Committee, or  
22 otherwise established, including the Aviation  
23 Security Advisory Committee established pursu-  
24 ant to section 44946 of title 49, United States  
25 Code; and”;

1 (2) in subsection (b)—

2 (A) in paragraph (2), by inserting before  
3 the semicolon at the end the following: “based  
4 on the risk assessment required pursuant to  
5 subsection (c)(2)(B)”;

6 (B) in paragraph (3)—

7 (i) by inserting “, to the extent prac-  
8 ticable,” after “describe”; and

9 (ii) by striking “budget plan” and in-  
10 sserting “resources required”;

11 (C) in paragraph (4)—

12 (i) by inserting “, to the extent prac-  
13 ticable,” after “identify”;

14 (ii) by striking “budget plan required  
15 to provide sufficient resources to success-  
16 fully” and inserting “resources required  
17 to”; and

18 (iii) by striking the semicolon at the  
19 end and inserting the following: “, includ-  
20 ing any resources identified from redun-  
21 dant, wasteful, or unnecessary capabilities  
22 or capacities that may be redirected to bet-  
23 ter support other existing capabilities or  
24 capacities, as the case may be; and”;

1 (D) in paragraph (5), by striking “; and”  
2 and inserting a period; and

3 (E) by striking paragraph (6);  
4 (3) in subsection (c)—

5 (A) in paragraph (1), by striking “Decem-  
6 ber 31 of the year” and inserting “60 days  
7 after the date of the submission of the Presi-  
8 dent’s budget for the fiscal year after the fiscal  
9 year”;

10 (B) in paragraph (2)—

11 (i) in subparagraph (B), by striking  
12 “description of the threats to” and insert-  
13 ing “risk assessment of”;

14 (ii) in subparagraph (C), by inserting  
15 “, as required under subsection (b)(2)” be-  
16 fore the semicolon at the end;

17 (iii) in subparagraph (D)—

18 (I) by inserting “to the extent  
19 practicable,” before “a description”;  
20 and

21 (II) by striking “budget plan”  
22 and inserting “resources required”;

23 (iv) in subparagraph (F)—

1 (I) by inserting “to the extent  
2 practicable,” before “a discussion”;  
3 and

4 (II) by striking “the status of”;  
5 (v) in subparagraph (G)—

6 (I) by inserting “to the extent  
7 practicable,” before “a discussion”;

8 (II) by striking “the status of”;

9 (III) by inserting “and risks” be-  
10 fore “to national homeland”; and

11 (IV) by inserting “and” after the  
12 semicolon at the end;

13 (vi) by striking subparagraph (H);

14 and

15 (vii) by redesignating subparagraph  
16 (I) as subparagraph (H);

17 (C) by redesignating paragraph (3) as  
18 paragraph (4); and

19 (D) by inserting after paragraph (2) the  
20 following new paragraph:

21 “(3) DOCUMENTATION.—The Secretary shall  
22 retain and, upon request, provide to Congress the  
23 following documentation regarding each quadrennial  
24 homeland security review:

1           “(A) Records regarding the consultation  
2 carried out the pursuant to subsection (a)(3),  
3 including—

4           “(i) all written communications, in-  
5 cluding communications sent out by the  
6 Secretary and feedback submitted to the  
7 Secretary through technology, online com-  
8 munications tools, in-person discussions,  
9 and the interagency process; and

10           “(ii) information on how feedback re-  
11 ceived by the Secretary informed each such  
12 quadrennial homeland security review.

13           “(B) Information regarding the risk as-  
14 sessment required under subsection (c)(2)(B),  
15 including—

16           “(i) the risk model utilized to generate  
17 such risk assessment;

18           “(ii) information, including data used  
19 in the risk model, utilized to generate such  
20 risk assessment;

21           “(iii) sources of information, including  
22 other risk assessments, utilized to generate  
23 such risk assessment; and

24           “(iv) information on assumptions,  
25 weighing factors, and subjective judgments

1                   utilized to generate such risk assessment,  
2                   together with information on the rationale  
3                   or basis thereof.”;

4                   (4) by redesignating subsection (d) as sub-  
5                   section (e); and

6                   (5) by inserting after subsection (c) the fol-  
7                   lowing new subsection:

8                   “(d) REVIEW.—Not later than 90 days after the sub-  
9                   mission of each report required under subsection (c)(1),  
10                  the Secretary shall provide to the Committee on Homeland  
11                  Security of the House of Representatives and the Com-  
12                  mittee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs  
13                  of the Senate information on the degree to which the find-  
14                  ings and recommendations developed in the quadrennial  
15                  homeland security review that is the subject of such report  
16                  were integrated into the acquisition strategy and expendi-  
17                  ture plans for the Department.”.

18                  (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by  
19                  this Act shall apply with respect to a quadrennial home-  
20                  land security review conducted after December 31, 2021.





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