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H. R. 4467

To require the Federal Air Marshal Service to utilize risk-based strategies,
and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOVEMBER 28, 2017

Mr. JODY B. HICE of Georgia (for himself, Mr. KATKO, and Mr. McCAUL)
introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on
Homeland Security

A BILL

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based strategies, and for other purposes.

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 “Strengthening Aviation
5 Security Act of 2017”.

6 **SEC. 2. USE OF RISK-BASED STRATEGIES BY FEDERAL AIR**
7 **MARSHAL SERVICE.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (a) of section 44917
9 of title 49, United States Code, is amended—

1 (1) in paragraph (7), by striking “and” after
2 the semicolon at the end;

3 (2) in paragraph (8), by striking the period at
4 the end and inserting a semicolon; and

5 (3) by adding at the end the following new
6 paragraphs:

7 “(9) shall require the Federal Air Marshal
8 Service to utilize a risk-based strategy when allo-
9 cating resources between international and domestic
10 flight coverage, including when initially setting its
11 annual target numbers of average daily international
12 and domestic flights to cover;

13 “(10) shall require the Federal Air Marshal
14 Service to utilize a risk-based strategy to support
15 domestic allocation decisions; and

16 “(11) shall require the Federal Air Marshal
17 Service to utilize a risk-based strategy to support
18 international allocation decisions.”.

19 (b) REPORT.—Not later than 270 days after the date
20 of the enactment of this Act, the Administrator of the
21 Transportation Security Administration shall submit to
22 the Committee on Homeland Security and the Committee
23 on Oversight and Government Reform of the House of
24 Representatives and the Committee on Homeland Security
25 and Governmental Affairs of the Senate a report that de-

1 scribes the compliance of the Federal Air Marshal Service
2 with the requirements specified in paragraphs (9) through
3 (11) of subsection (a) of section 44917 of title 49, United
4 States Code, as added by this Act, and the documented
5 methodology used by the Federal Air Marshal Service to
6 conduct risk assessments in accordance with such para-
7 graphs.

8 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The Transportation Security
9 Administration shall begin carrying out the requirements
10 specified in paragraphs (9) through (11) of subsection (a)
11 of section 44917, United States Code, added by this Act,
12 by not later than the date that is 180 days after the date
13 of the enactment of this Act.

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