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115TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 4555

[Report No. 115–499]

To authorize the participation in overseas interagency counterterrorism task forces of personnel of the Department of Homeland Security, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 5, 2017

Mr. RUTHERFORD (for himself, Mr. HIGGINS of Louisiana, Mr. GALLAGHER, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mr. GARRETT, Mr. MCCAUL, and Mr. KATKO) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Homeland Security

JANUARY 9, 2018

Reported with an amendment, committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, and ordered to be printed

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

[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on December 5, 2017]

A BILL

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "DHS Interagency Counterterrorism Task Force Act of 2017".

SEC. 2. OVERSEAS INTERAGENCY COUNTERTERRORISM TASK FORCE PARTICIPATION.

Section 102 of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 112) is amended by adding at the end the following new subsection:

"(h) COORDINATION WITH OTHER FEDERAL DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES OVERSEAS.—

"(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary is authorized to assign Department personnel to participate in overseas interagency counterterrorism task forces to—

"(A) facilitate the sharing of counterterrorism information, and

"(B) combat the threat of terrorism and associated risks to the United States stemming from overseas sources of conflict or terrorism,

as determined by the Secretary.

"(2) PERSONNEL.—In carrying out this subsection, the Secretary may assign personnel from any component of the Department the Secretary determines necessary to participate in the overseas

counterterrorism task forces referred to in paragraph (1).".

SEC. 3. ANNUAL REPORTS.

Not later than 18 months after the date of the enactment of this Act and annually thereafter for three years, the Secretary of Homeland Security shall report to the Committee on Homeland Security, the Committee on Foreign Affairs, the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, and the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, the Committee on Foreign Relations, Select Committee on Intelligence, and the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate on activities carried out pursuant to subsection (h) of section 102 of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 112), as added by section 2 of this Act.

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