

115TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 4708

AN ACT

To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to require the Secretary of Homeland Security to issue Department of Homeland Security-wide guidance and develop training programs as part of the Department of Homeland Security Blue Campaign, 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,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Department of Home-
3 land Security Blue Campaign Authorization Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. ENHANCED DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY**
5 **COORDINATION THROUGH THE BLUE CAM-**
6 **PAIGN.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subtitle C of title IV of the
8 Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 231 et seq.)
9 is amended by adding at the end the following new section:
10 **“SEC. 434. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY BLUE**
11 **CAMPAIGN.**

12 “(a) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term ‘human
13 trafficking’ means an act or practice described in para-
14 graph (9) or (10) of section 103 of the Trafficking Victims
15 Protection Act of 2000 (22 U.S.C. 7102).

16 “(b) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established within
17 the Department a program, which shall be known as the
18 ‘Blue Campaign’. The Blue Campaign shall be headed by
19 a Director, who shall be appointed by the Secretary.

20 “(c) PURPOSE.—The purpose of the Blue Campaign
21 shall be to unify and coordinate Department efforts to ad-
22 dress human trafficking.

23 “(d) RESPONSIBILITIES.—The Secretary, working
24 through the Director, shall, in accordance with subsection
25 (e)—

1 “(1) issue Department-wide guidance to appro-
2 priate Department personnel;

3 “(2) develop training programs for such per-
4 sonnel;

5 “(3) coordinate departmental efforts, including
6 training for such personnel; and

7 “(4) provide guidance and training on trauma-
8 informed practices to ensure that human trafficking
9 victims are afforded prompt access to victim support
10 service providers, in addition to the assistance re-
11 quired under section 107 of the Trafficking Victims
12 Protection Act of 2000 (22 U.S.C. 7105), to address
13 their immediate and long-term needs.

14 “(e) GUIDANCE AND TRAINING.—The Blue Cam-
15 paign shall provide guidance and training to Department
16 personnel and other Federal, State, tribal, and law en-
17 forcement personnel, as appropriate, regarding—

18 “(1) programs to help identify instances of
19 human trafficking;

20 “(2) the types of information that should be
21 collected and recorded in information technology sys-
22 tems utilized by the Department to help identify in-
23 dividuals suspected or convicted of human traf-
24 ficking;

1 “(3) systematic and routine information sharing
2 within the Department and among Federal, State,
3 tribal, and local law enforcement agencies regard-
4 ing—

5 “(A) individuals suspected or convicted of
6 human trafficking; and

7 “(B) patterns and practices of human traf-
8 ficking;

9 “(4) techniques to identify suspected victims of
10 trafficking along the United States border and at
11 airport security checkpoints;

12 “(5) methods to be used by the Transportation
13 Security Administration and personnel from other
14 appropriate agencies to—

15 “(A) train employees of the Transportation
16 Security Administration to identify suspected
17 victims of trafficking; and

18 “(B) serve as a liaison and resource re-
19 garding human trafficking prevention to appro-
20 priate State, local, and private sector aviation
21 workers and the traveling public;

22 “(6) utilizing resources, such as indicator cards,
23 fact sheets, pamphlets, posters, brochures, and radio
24 and television campaigns to—

1 “(A) educate partners and stakeholders;
2 and

3 “(B) increase public awareness of human
4 trafficking;

5 “(7) leveraging partnerships with State and
6 local governmental, nongovernmental, and private
7 sector organizations to raise public awareness of
8 human trafficking; and

9 “(8) any other activities the Secretary deter-
10 mines necessary to carry out the Blue Campaign.”.

11 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of contents
12 in section 1(b) of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 is
13 amended by inserting after the item relating to section
14 433 the following new item:

 “Sec. 434. Department of Homeland Security Blue Campaign.”.

15 **SEC. 3. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS.**

16 Not later than one year after the date of the enact-
17 ment of this Act, the Secretary of Homeland Security shall
18 ensure, in accordance with the Department of Homeland
19 Security-wide guidance required under section 434(d) of
20 the Homeland Security Act of 2002, as added by section
21 2 of this Act, the integration of information technology
22 systems utilized within the Department to record and
23 track information regarding individuals suspected or con-
24 victed of human trafficking (as such term is defined in
25 such section).

1 **SEC. 4. REPORT.**

2 Not later than 18 months after the date of the enact-
3 ment of this Act, the Secretary of Homeland Security shall
4 submit to the Committee on Homeland Security and Gov-
5 ernmental Affairs of the Senate and the Committee on
6 Homeland Security of the House of Representatives a re-
7 port that—

8 (1) describes the status and effectiveness of the
9 Department of Homeland Security Blue Campaign
10 under section 434 of the Homeland Security Act of
11 2002, as added by section 2 of this Act; and

12 (2) provides a recommendation regarding the
13 appropriate office within the Department of Home-
14 land Security for the Blue Campaign.

15 **SEC. 5. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

16 There is authorized to be appropriated \$819,000 to
17 carry out section 434 of the Homeland Security Act of
18 2002, as added by section 2.

Passed the House of Representatives January 11,
2018.

Attest:

Clerk.

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