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H. R. 5099

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 20, 2018

Received; read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and
Governmental Affairs

AN ACT

To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish
in the Department of Homeland Security a fusion center
technical assistance program.

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 “Enhancing DHS’ Fu-
3 sion Center Technical Assistance Program Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. FUSION CENTER TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PRO-**
5 **GRAM.**

6 Section 210A of the Homeland Security Act of 2002
7 (6 U.S.C. 124h) is amended—

8 (1) by redesignating subsections (j) and (k) as
9 subsections (k) and (l), respectively; and

10 (2) by inserting after subsection (i) the fol-
11 lowing new subsection (j):

12 “(j) FUSION CENTER TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PRO-
13 GRAM.—

14 “(1) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary, in con-
15 sultation with officials from the National Network of
16 Fusion Centers and, to the greatest extent prac-
17 ticable, other relevant stakeholders, shall establish a
18 fusion center technical assistance program.

19 “(2) ELEMENTS OF PROGRAM.—In carrying out
20 the fusion center technical assistance program estab-
21 lished under paragraph (1), the Secretary shall—

22 “(A) provide technical assistance to fusion
23 centers regarding—

24 “(i) grants administered under sec-
25 tions 2003 and 2004;

1 “(ii) terrorism prevention activities;
2 and
3 “(iii) intelligence and information
4 sharing;
5 “(B) provide to fusion centers notice of
6 any changes to the activities referred to in sub-
7 paragraph (A);
8 “(C) make available best practices regard-
9 ing—
10 “(i) fusion center operations;
11 “(ii) information sharing and analysis
12 of homeland security threats, including
13 cyber threats;
14 “(iii) protecting privacy, civil rights,
15 and civil liberties; and
16 “(iv) such other best practices as the
17 Secretary determines appropriate; and
18 “(D) carry out such other activities as the
19 Secretary determines appropriate.”.

Passed the House of Representatives March 19,
2018.

Attest:

KAREN L. HAAS,
Clerk.