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H. R. 145

To authorize the revocation or denial of passports to individuals affiliated with foreign terrorist organizations, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. DUNCAN (for himself, Mr. KEATING, Mr. NORMAN, Mr. POSEY, Mr. MEADOWS, and Mr. WEBER of Texas) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

A BILL

To authorize the revocation or denial of passports to individuals affiliated with foreign terrorist organizations, 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 “FTO Passport Revoca-
5 tion Act of 2019”.

1 **SEC. 2. REVOCATION OR DENIAL OF PASSPORTS TO INDIVIDUALS AFFILIATED WITH FOREIGN TERRORIST ORGANIZATIONS.**

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4 The Act entitled “An Act to regulate the issue and
5 validity of passports, and for other purposes”, approved
6 July 3, 1926 (22 U.S.C. 211a et seq.), commonly known
7 as the “Passport Act of 1926”, is amended by adding at
8 the end the following new section:

9 **“SEC. 4. AUTHORITY TO DENY OR REVOKE PASSPORT.**

10 “(a) INELIGIBILITY.—

11 “(1) ISSUANCE.—Except as provided under
12 subsection (b), the Secretary of State may refuse to
13 issue a passport to any individual whom the Secretary
14 has determined has aided, assisted, abetted,
15 or otherwise helped an organization the Secretary
16 has designated as a foreign terrorist organization
17 pursuant to section 219 of the Immigration and Nationality
18 Act (8 U.S.C. 1189).

19 “(2) REVOCATION.—The Secretary of State
20 may revoke a passport previously issued to any individual
21 described in paragraph (1).

22 “(b) RIGHT OF REVIEW.—Any individual who, in accordance
23 with this section, is denied issuance of a passport
24 by the Secretary of State, or whose passport is revoked
25 by the Secretary, may request a hearing before the Sec-

1 retary not later than 60 days after receiving notice of such
2 denial or revocation.

3 “(c) REPORT.—

4 “(1) IN GENERAL.—If the Secretary of State
5 refuses to issue or revokes a passport pursuant to
6 subsection (a), or if, subsequent to a hearing pursu-
7 ant to subsection (b), the Secretary issues or cancels
8 a revocation of a passport that was the subject of
9 such a hearing, the Secretary shall, not later than
10 30 days after such refusal or revocation, or such
11 issuance or cancellation, submit to the Committee on
12 Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives and
13 the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate
14 a report on such refusal, revocation, issuance, or
15 cancellation, as the case may be.

16 “(2) FORM.—The report submitted under para-
17 graph (1) may be submitted in classified or unclassi-
18 fied form.

19 “(d) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term ‘pass-
20 port’ includes a passport card.”.

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