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H. R. 1590

[Report No. 116–27]

To require an exercise related to terrorist and foreign fighter travel, and
for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 7, 2019

Mr. GUEST introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee
on Homeland Security

MARCH 28, 2019

Additional sponsors: Mr. KELLY of Mississippi, Mr. MCCAUL, Mr. HIGGINS
of Louisiana, Mr. PALAZZO, Mr. WALKER, and Mr. RATCLIFFE

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and ordered to be printed

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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 “Terrorist and Foreign
5 Fighter Travel Exercise Act of 2019”.

6 **SEC. 2. EXERCISE ON TERRORIST AND FOREIGN FIGHTER**
7 **TRAVEL.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—In addition to, or as part of exer-
9 cise programs currently carried out by the Department of
10 Homeland Security, to enhance domestic preparedness for
11 and collective response to terrorism, promote the dissemi-
12 nation of homeland security information, and test the se-
13 curity posture of the United States, the Secretary of
14 Homeland Security, through appropriate offices and com-
15 ponents of the Department and in coordination with the
16 heads of appropriate Federal departments and agencies,
17 shall develop and conduct an exercise related to the detec-
18 tion and prevention of terrorist and foreign fighter travel.

19 (b) EXERCISE REQUIREMENTS.—The exercise re-
20 quired under subsection (a) shall include—

21 (1) a scenario involving—

22 (A) persons traveling from the United
23 States to join or provide material support or re-
24 sources to a terrorist organization abroad; and

1 (B) terrorist infiltration into the United
2 States, including by United States citizens and
3 foreign nationals;

4 (2) coordination with appropriate Federal de-
5 partments and agencies, foreign governments, and
6 State, local, Tribal, and territorial agencies, includ-
7 ing law enforcement agencies and representatives
8 from the National Network of Fusion Centers; and
9 (3) coordination with appropriate private sector
10 and community stakeholders.

11 (c) REPORT.—Not later than 60 days after the com-
12 pletion of the exercise required under subsection (a), the
13 Secretary of Homeland Security shall, consistent with the
14 protection of classified information, submit to the Com-
15 mittee on Homeland Security of the House of Representa-
16 tives and the Committee on Homeland Security and Gov-
17 ernmental Affairs of the Senate an after-action report pre-
18 senting the initial findings of such exercise, plans for
19 quickly incorporating lessons learned into future oper-
20 ations of the Department of Homeland Security, and any
21 proposed legislative changes informed by such exercise.

22 (d) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term “material
23 support or resources” has the meaning given such term
24 in section 2339A of title 18, United States Code.

1 **SEC. 3. EMERGING THREATS IN THE NATIONAL EXERCISE**
2 **PROGRAM.**

3 Clause (i) of section 648(b)(2)(A) of the Post-
4 Katrina Emergency Management Reform Act of 2006 (6
5 U.S.C. 748(b)(2)) is amended by inserting “and emerg-
6 ing” after “credible”.

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