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My thoughts and prayers are with Officer Daily, his family, and fellow officers for a full recovery.

Mr. ROGERS of Alabama. Mr. Speaker, I reiterate, this is good government policy, and I fully support and urge its passage.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, nearly 18 years after the September 11 attacks, it is important that we stand together and recommit ourselves to doing all we can to prevent further terrorist attacks at the Federal, State, and local levels.

Enactment of H.R. 495, which passed the House on suspension last Congress, would help ensure that State and local law enforcement know DHS is a full partner in securing their communities.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to support H.R. 495, and I yield back the balance of my time.

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Speaker, I rise to speak in strong support of H.R. 495, the FIRST State and Local Law Enforcement Act, which supports the work of the Department of Homeland Security's Office of State and Local Law Enforcement (OSLLE) by requiring that an annual report of its activities be submitted to Congress so that we can be aware of the range of benefits and services needed by local and state law enforcement agencies.

The work of law enforcement is rewarding to those who serve, but it can also be very dangerous.

My thoughts and prayers are with the wounded officers and the members of the Houston Police Department.

The senseless shooting of five of Houston's finest and bravest last evening, while they were serving a warrant, is a tragedy and another reminder of the dangers faced by law enforcement officers who risk their lives to keep their communities safe.

Thanks to the swift and professional police work of the Houston Police Department, two of the persons perpetrating this heinous crime have been stopped.

I hope the families of the victims take comfort in the knowledge that everyone in our community is praying for speedy and complete recovery of each of the officers wounded in this tragedy.

The basis for creating the office is one of 33 recommendations of the 9/11 Commission, which called for a primary coordinator, liaison, and advocate for state, local, tribal, and territorial law enforcement agencies.

This legislation mandates that OSLLE also leads the coordination of DHS's policies related to state, local, tribal, and territorial law enforcement's role in preventing, preparing for, protecting against, and responding to natural disasters, acts of terrorism and other man-made disasters.

As a member of the Committee on Homeland Security, I am very much aware of the importance of the work performed by the men and women who protect us from terrorism.

Homeland Security is defined as: "the national effort to ensure a homeland that is safe, secure, and resilient against terrorism and other hazards where American interests, aspirations, and ways of life can thrive to the national effort to prevent terrorist attacks within the United States, reduce the vulnerability of the U.S. to terrorism, and minimize the damage from attacks that do occur"

I am proud to have so many first responders as friends, and I am committed to working tirelessly to assure that they have the full support of Congress in getting the resources and training they need to protect our communities.

This bill will provide an important opportunity for DHS to report on this vital work with state and local law enforcement agencies.

The sacrifices made by our men and women in state and local law enforcement all too often go unnoticed.

One example of their heroism and bravery was seen when Houston Police Officers Alonzo Reid and John Daily were involved in a Christmas Eve car crash.

On Christmas Eve, Officers Daily and Reid were responding, with lights on, to a call for assistance from a fellow officer when they were hit nearly head on.

Their patrol car rolled several times before it collided with a pole and caught fire.

Thankfully, both survived the fiery car crash.

Officer Reid showed true heroism when he pulled Officer Daily from the driver's seat with the assistance of a passerby, Juan Carlos Salgado.

Thankfully, Officer Reid was released from the hospital on Christmas Day.

However, Officer Daily, who suffered burns to over half his body, has endured five surgeries and is still in serious medical condition.

I ask my colleagues to join me in offering prayers and well wishes to Officer Daily for a full recovery.

Officers Daily and Reid like tens of thousands of their counter parts, put service above self every day.

The Department of Homeland Security has been in existence for 16 years, and in that time the men and women who serve on the front lines of defending the United States against terrorist acts at home have not wavered in their commitment.

During times of crisis, the relationships among federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies is proven to be of the greatest value to an effective government wide response.

On August 25, 2017, Hurricane Harvey made landfall in Texas.

Local, state, and federal first responders rescued 122,331 people.

The Coast Guard deployed 2,060 personnel, 50 aircraft, 75 boats and 29 cutters, rescuing 11,022 people and 1,384 pets.

FEMA deployed 28 Urban Search and Rescue (USAR) teams from across the nation to Texas to assist state and local agencies with the lifesaving mission.

This is in addition to the tens of thousands of meals, water, supplies, and public assistance that were also provided.

Hurricane Harvey's Federal, state, and local response agencies benefit from collaborating with DHS.

Because the DHS office plays a significant role in the required outreach to state and local law enforcement entities it is important that the Committee on Homeland Security be kept apprised of its work.

Today, DHS is not funded due to the Trump Shutdown.

It is shameful that 85 percent of DHS employees are either working with no paycheck or have been furloughed.

These men and women work for Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency, Customs and Border Protection, Citizenship and Immigration Services, Federal Emergency Management Agency, U.S. Coast Guard, Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Secret Service, and Transportation and Security Administration.

It has been reported that many DHS employees have described feeling depressed, stressed out, anxious, uncomfortable, and insecure because of the Trump Shutdown.

It is time to end the Trump Shutdown.

This bill will need DHS fully staffed and functioning to ensure that the reporting requirement of this bill are fulfilled so that the federal, state, and local agencies working with DHS receive the support that they need.

For this reason, I ask that my colleagues join me in voting for H.R. 495.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Mississippi (Mr. THOMPSON) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 495.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Mr. GOSAR. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion to adjourn offered by the gentleman from Arizona (Mr. GOSAR).

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the yeas appeared to have it.

Mr. GOSAR. Mr. Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 14, nays 395, not voting 23, as follows:

[Roll No. 55]

YEAS—14

Babin	Green (TN)	Meadows
Biggs	Harris	Mullin
Burgess	Hice (GA)	Norman
Duncan	Massie	Weber (TX)
Gosar	McHenry	

NAYS—395

Abraham	Bergman	Budd
Adams	Beyer	Burchett
Aderholt	Bilirakis	Bustos
Aguilar	Bishop (GA)	Butterfield
Allen	Blumenauer	Byrne
Allred	Blunt Rochester	Calvert
Amash	Bonamici	Carbajal
Amodei	Bost	Cárdenas
Armstrong	Boyle, Brendan	Carson (IN)
Arrington	F.	Carter (GA)
Axne	Brady	Cartwright
Bacon	Brindisi	Case
Baird	Brooks (AL)	Casten (IL)
Balderson	Brooks (IN)	Castor (FL)
Banks	Brown (MD)	Castro (TX)
Barr	Brownley (CA)	Chabot
Barragán	Buchanan	Cheney
Beatty	Buck	Cicilline
Bera	Bucshon	Cisneros

Clark (MA)           Hern, Kevin  
 Clarke (NY)       Herrera Beutler  
 Clay               Higgins (LA)  
 Cleaver           Higgins (NY)  
 Cline             Hill (AR)  
 Cloud             Hill (CA)  
 Clyburn           Himes  
 Cohen             Holding  
 Cole               Hollingsworth  
 Collins (GA)      Horn, Kendra S.  
 Collins (NY)      Horsford  
 Comer             Houlahan  
 Conaway          Hoyer  
 Connolly         Hudson  
 Cook              Huffman  
 Cooper            Huizenga  
 Correa            Hunter  
 Costa             Hurd (TX)  
 Courtney         Jackson Lee  
 Cox (CA)          Jayapal  
 Craig             Jeffries  
 Crawford         Johnson (GA)  
 Crenshaw         Johnson (LA)  
 Crist             Johnson (OH)  
 Crow             Johnson (SD)  
 Cuellar           Johnson (TX)  
 Cummings         Jordan  
 Cunningham      Joyce (OH)  
 Curtis            Joyce (PA)  
 Davids (KS)      Kaptur  
 Davidson (OH)    Katko  
 Davis (CA)       Keating  
 Davis, Danny K.  Kelly (IL)  
 Davis, Rodney    Kelly (MS)  
 Dean             Kelly (PA)  
 DeFazio          Kennedy  
 DeGette         Khanna  
 DeLauro         Kildee  
 DelBene         Kilmer  
 Delgado         Kim  
 Demings         Kind  
 DeSaulnier      King (IA)  
 Deutch          King (NY)  
 Diaz-Balart     Kinzinger  
 Dingell         Kirkpatrick  
 Doggett         Krishnamoorthi  
 Doyle, Michael  F.     Kuster (NH)  
                   Kustoff (TN)  
 Duffy            LaHood  
 Dunn            LaMalfa  
 Emmer          Lamb  
 Engel          Lamborn  
 Escobar         Langevin  
 Eshoo          Larson (CT)  
 Espallat        Latta  
 Estes          Lawrence  
 Evans          Lawson (FL)  
 Ferguson        Lee (CA)  
 Finkenauer     Lee (NV)  
 Fitzpatrick    Lesko  
 Fleischmann    Levin (CA)  
 Fletcher        Levin (MI)  
 Flores         Lewis  
 Fortenberry    Lieu, Ted  
 Foster         Lipinski  
 Foxx (NC)      Loeb sack  
 Fudge         Lofgren  
 Fulcher        Long  
 Gabbard        Loudermilk  
 Gaetz         Lowenthal  
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 Garcia (TX)    Luján  
 Gianforte     Luria  
 Gibbs         Lynch  
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 Golden         Maloney,  
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 Gonzalez (TX)  Marchant  
 Gooden         Marshall  
 Gottheimer    Mast  
 Granger        Matsui  
 Graves (GA)    McAdams  
 Graves (LA)    McBath  
 Graves (MO)    McCarthy  
 Green (TX)     McClintock  
 Griffith        McCollum  
 Grothman      McEachin  
 Guest         McGovern  
 Guthrie        McKinley  
 Haaland        McNerney  
 Hagedorn      Meeks  
 Harder (CA)    Meuser  
 Hartzler       Mitchell  
 Hastings       Moolenaar  
 Hayes         Mooney (WV)  
 Heck           Moore

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 Thompson (PA)  Vela  
 Timmons        Velaáquez  
 Tipton          Viscosky  
 Titus           Walberg  
 Taib            Walden  
 Tonko          Walker  
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                 (NM)     Wasserman  
 Trahan         Schultz  
 Turner         Waters  
 Underwood     Watkins  
 Upton          Watson Coleman  
 Van Drew       Webster (FL)

NOT VOTING—23  
 Bass  
 Bishop (UT)    Jones  
 Carter (TX)    Larsen (WA)  
 Chu, Judy      McCaul  
 DesJarlais    Meng  
 Frankel        Miller  
 Garamendi     Payne  
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Mr. GOTTHEIMER, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Messrs. VAN DREW, GROTHMAN, RICE of South Carolina, SMITH of Missouri, SMITH of New Jersey, and Ms. WILD changed their vote from “yea” to “nay.”

Messrs. WEBER of Texas, GOSAR, and BABIN changed their vote from “nay” to “yea.”

So the motion to adjourn was rejected.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

**HOMELAND SECURITY ASSESSMENT OF TERRORISTS’ USE OF VIRTUAL CURRENCIES ACT**

Miss RICE of New York. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 428) to direct the Under Secretary of Homeland Security for Intelligence and Analysis to develop and disseminate a threat assessment regarding terrorist use of virtual currency.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

H.R. 428

*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 “Homeland Security Assessment of Terrorists’ Use of Virtual Currencies Act”.

**SEC. 2. THREAT ASSESSMENT ON TERRORIST USE OF VIRTUAL CURRENCY.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 120 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Under Secretary of Homeland Security for Intelligence and Analysis, as authorized by section 201(b)(1) of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 121(b)(1)), shall, in coordination with appropriate Federal partners, develop and disseminate a threat assessment regarding the actual and potential threat posed by individuals using virtual currency to carry out activities in furtherance of an act of terrorism, including the provision of material support or resources to a foreign terrorist organization. Consistent with the protection of classified and confidential unclassified information, the Under Secretary shall share the threat assessment developed under this section with State, local, and tribal law enforcement officials, including officials who operate within State,

local, and regional fusion centers through the Department of Homeland Security State, Local, and Regional Fusion Center Initiative established in section 210A of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 124h).

(b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) The term “foreign terrorist organization” means an organization designated as a foreign terrorist organization under section 219 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1189).

(2) The term “virtual currency” means a digital representation of value that functions as a medium of exchange, a unit of account, or a store of value.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentlewoman from New York (Miss RICE) and the gentleman from Louisiana (Mr. HIGGINS) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from New York.

GENERAL LEAVE

Miss RICE of New York. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days to revise and extend their remarks and to include extraneous material on this measure.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentlewoman from New York?

There was no objection.

Miss RICE of New York. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of H.R. 428, the Homeland Security Assessment of Terrorists’ Use of Virtual Currencies Act.

In the 17 years since the deadliest terrorist attack in American history, the United States has led the global fight against terrorism, thwarting plots and preventing attacks on American soil, identifying and disrupting terrorist networks around the world, and hunting down terrorists wherever they may hide.

However, the threat of terrorism is not the same as it was on September 11, 2001. It is a threat that constantly evolves, and we need to evolve with it. We need to evolve ahead of it.

Today, we have to acknowledge that the front lines of the war on terror are shifting increasingly away from individual countries and into cyberspace. This new front line poses an especially dangerous and nebulous threat when it comes to terrorist financing.

As such, the Homeland Security Assessment of Terrorists’ Use of Virtual Currencies Act speaks to a timely and pressing concern. Over the past several years, a number of terrorist organizations have turned to virtual currencies to support themselves and fund their operations.

For example, in December of 2017, a woman in New York was arrested and pled guilty after she obtained \$62,000 in bitcoin and other virtual currencies to send to ISIL. Using those virtual funds, she was able to send the money via shell entities in Pakistan, China, and Turkey that were fronts for ISIL.

In early 2017, Indonesian authorities reported that a Syria-based Indonesian