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To require renovation of certain U.S. Border Patrol checkpoints, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. TONY GONZALES of Texas introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Homeland Security, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

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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 “Checkpoint Moderniza-
5 tion Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. RENOVATION OF U.S. BORDER PATROL CHECK-**
7 **POINTS.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to the availability of ap-
9 propriations, the Commissioner of U.S. Customs and Bor-

1 der Protection shall prioritize renovation projects at U.S.

2 Border Patrol checkpoints that directly—

3 (1) improve the safety and well-being of law en-
4 forcement personnel,

5 (2) enhance the ability of U.S. Border Patrol
6 agents to detect and deter human smuggling, contra-
7 band, and other illicit goods, and

8 (3) reduce traffic congestion and improve over-
9 all public safety,

10 to accommodate the increasing volume of traffic along the
11 southern border of the United States.

12 (b) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date
13 of the enactment of this Act and annually thereafter, the
14 Commissioner of U.S. Customs and Border Protection
15 shall submit to the Committee on Homeland Security of
16 the House of Representatives and the Committee on
17 Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs of the Sen-
18 ate a report on the cost estimates, statuses, justifications,
19 and other relevant information as necessary of the renova-
20 tion of U.S. Border Patrol checkpoints described in sub-
21 section (a).

22 (c) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is
23 authorized to be appropriated to the Commissioner of U.S.
24 Customs and Border Protection not less than

1 \$150,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2025 through 2028
2 to carry out this section.

3 (d) RESCISSION OF INFLATION REDUCTION ACT
4 FUNDS.—The unobligated balance of all amounts appro-
5 priated or otherwise made available to the Environmental
6 Protection Agency to carry out section 138 of the Clean
7 Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7438; relating to environmental and
8 climate justice block grants) is permanently rescinded.

