

in the President's Fiscal Year 2008 request for the Office of Policy to lead this initiative.

*Section 2402. Sense of the Congress Regarding the Prevention of Radicalization Leading to Ideologically-Based Violence*

There is no comparable House provision. Section 1602 of the Senate bill includes extensive findings concerning the threat of radicalization in the United States as a component of the struggle against the transnational ideological movement of Islamist extremism. This provision also makes recommendations to the Secretary regarding measures that can be taken to prevent radicalization and concludes that the Secretary should work across the Federal government and with State and local officials to make countering radicalization a priority.

The Conference substitute adopts the Senate provision with changes. The changes include modifying the terms used to describe radicalization so that it is clear that protected behavior is not included. As a result, radicalization is referred to as radicalization that leads to ideologically-based violence. Additionally, while the language is intended to address the global struggle against violent extremism, the language is broadened to include ideologically-based violence from all sources.

*Section 2403. Requiring Reports to Be Submitted to Certain Committees*

There is no comparable House provision. Section 1485 of the Senate bill contained a provision to provide certain Senate Committees with reports required elsewhere in the bill.

The Conference substitute adopts part of the Senate provision with updated references to certain reports.

*Section 2404. Demonstration Project*

There is no comparable House provision.

Section 805 of the Senate bill requires the Secretary to establish a demonstration project to conduct demonstrations of security management systems.

The Conference substitute adopts the Senate provision, while modifying it so that it defines "security management system" as a set of guidelines that address the security assessment needs of critical infrastructure and key resources that are consistent with a set of generally accepted management standards ratified and adopted by a standards making body.

*Section 2405. Under Secretary for Management of the Department of Homeland Security*

There is no comparable House provision, as Members believe that this issue would be best addressed as part of a comprehensive homeland security authorization bill.

Section 1601 of the Senate bill elevates the position of Under Secretary for Management to a Deputy Secretary, adds qualifications for the position, and gives this newly created position a five-year term with removal only for performance reasons.

The Conference substitute adopts a modified version of the Senate provision by enhancing the Under Secretary's authority while maintaining the position at the Under Secretary level without a fixed term. Specifically, the substitute designates the Under Secretary for Management as the Chief Management Officer and the Secretary's principal advisor on management-related matters. It also requires the Under Secretary to facilitate strategic management planning, integration, transformation, and transition and succession for the Department.

The Conference substitute requires the Under Secretary to develop a transition and succession plan, and authorizes the incumbent Under Secretary to remain in the position, after a Presidential election, until a successor is confirmed in the subsequent Administration. It also expresses the Sense of

the Congress that a newly-elected President should encourage the incumbent Under Secretary to remain until a successor is confirmed, to provide continuity during the transition. The legislation also requires that the Under Secretary be accountable for his or her performance—each year, the Under Secretary must enter into a performance agreement with the Secretary and be subject to an evaluation based on the same. The substitute also enhances the President's ability to attract qualified candidates, as it elevates the Under Secretary for Management to Level II of the Executive Schedule.

Because the Department is newly formed, and in light of the integration and management challenges it has faced to date, the Conference is concerned about the impending transition between Administrations and believes this transition should be well-planned and smoothly implemented. The Conference believes that this position requires a person with strong management skills and a proven track record of success, and this legislation requires the selection of a person with such experience.

**EARMARKS**

Pursuant to House Rule XXI, clause 9(a)(4), the Committee of Conference attaches a list of earmarks included in the Conference Report to accompany H.R. 1, including a list of Congressional earmarks, limited tax benefits, and limited tariff benefits in the conference report or joint statement (and the name of any Member, Delegate, Resident Commissioner, or Senator who submitted a request to the House or Senate Committees of jurisdiction for each respective item included in such list) or a statement that the proposition contains no Congressional earmarks, limited tax benefits, or limited tariff benefits, as follows:

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Section 1204	National Disaster Preparedness Training Center, University of Hawaii Transportation Technology Center, Inc.	Sen. Daniel K. Inouye Sen. Wayne Allard Sen. Ken Salazar Rep. John T. Salazar Rep. Ed Perlmutter
Section 1205	Connecticut Transportation Institute, University of Connecticut National Transit Institute, Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey Mack-Blackwell National Rural Transportation Study Center at the University of Arkansas Homeland Security Management Institute, Long Island University Texas Southern University in Houston, Texas Tougaloo College	Sen. Christopher J. Dodd Sen. Joseph I. Lieberman Sen. Robert Menendez Sen. Frank R. Lautenberg Sen. Mark L. Pryor Sen. Charles E. Schumer Rep. Peter T. King Rep. Al Green Rep. Bennie G. Thompson

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**ELECTION OF MEMBER TO CERTAIN STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE HOUSE**

Mr. PUTNAM. Mr. Speaker, by direction of the Republican Conference, I offer a privileged resolution (H. Res.

566) and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

**H. RES. 566**

*Resolved*, That the following member be, and is hereby, elected to the following standing committees of the House of Representatives:

- (1) COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY.—Mr. Broun of Georgia.
- (2) COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY.—Mr. Broun of Georgia.

The resolution was agreed to. A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

**APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO BOARD OF VISITORS TO THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD ACADEMY**

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to 14 U.S.C. 194(a), and the order of the House of January 4, 2007, the Chair