Suspend the Rules and Pass the Bill, H.R. 4227, With an Amendment

(The amendment strikes all after the enacting clause and inserts a new text)

115TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION H.R. 4227

To require the Secretary of Homeland Security to examine what actions the Department of Homeland Security is undertaking to combat the threat of vehicular terrorism, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOVEMBER 2, 2017

Mr. LATTA (for himself, Mr. MARCHANT, Mr. BUCSHON, Mr. CHABOT, Mr. WALBERG, Ms. KAPTUR, Miss GONZÁLEZ-COLÓN of Puerto Rico, Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM of New Mexico, and Mr. RENACCI) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Homeland Security

A BILL

- To require the Secretary of Homeland Security to examine what actions the Department of Homeland Security is undertaking to combat the threat of vehicular terrorism, 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 "Vehicular Terrorism
- 5 Prevention Act of 2018".

1 SEC. 2. STRATEGY ON VEHICULAR TERRORISM.

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than six months after
3 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of
4 Homeland Security shall—

5 (1) assess the activities the Department of
6 Homeland Security is undertaking to support emer7 gency response providers and the private sector to
8 prevent, mitigate, and respond to the threat of vehic9 ular terrorism; and

10 (2) based on such assessment, develop and sub-11 mit to the Committee on Homeland Security of the 12 House of Representatives and the Committee on 13 Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs of the 14 Senate a strategy to improve the Department's efforts to support the efforts of emergency response 15 16 providers and the private sector to prevent, mitigate, 17 and respond to such threat.

18 (b) CONTENTS.—The strategy required under sub-19 section (a) shall include the following:

- 20 (1) An examination of the current threat of ve-
- 21 hicular terrorism.
- (2) Methods to improve Department of Homeland Security information sharing activities with
 emergency response providers and the private sector
 regarding best practices to prevent, mitigate, and respond to the increasing threat of vehicular terrorism.

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(3) Training activities the Department can pro vide, including possible exercises, for emergency re sponse providers to prevent and respond to the
 threat of vehicular terrorism.

5 (4) Any additional activities the Secretary of 6 Homeland Security recommends to prevent, miti-7 gate, and respond to the threat of vehicular ter-8 rorism.

9 (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

10 (1) EMERGENCY RESPONSE PROVIDERS.—The
11 term "emergency response providers" has the mean12 ing given such term in section 2(6) of the Homeland
13 Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 101(6)).

14 (2) VEHICULAR TERRORISM.—The term "vehic15 ular terrorism" means any action that utilizes auto16 motive transportation to inflict violence and intimi17 dation on individuals for a political purpose.