

AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE
TO H.R. 7448
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Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

1 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

2 This Act may be cited as the “Modernizing and Im-
3 proving the National Terrorism Advisory System Act of
4 2026”.

5 SEC. 2. STRATEGY TO MODERNIZE THE NATIONAL TER-
6 RORISM ADVISORY SYSTEM.

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year after the
8 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Home-
9 land Security shall submit to the Committee on Homeland
10 Security of the House of Representatives and the Com-
11 mittee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs
12 of the Senate a strategy to modernize the National Ter-
13 rorism Advisory System (NTAS) (in this section referred
14 to as the “strategy”).

15 (b) CONSIDERATIONS.—The strategy shall consider
16 the following:

1 (1) Designating a specific office or official with-
2 in the Department of Homeland Security to oversee
3 the NTAS.

4 (2) The criteria, protocols, and standard oper-
5 ating procedures for the issuance and sunset of
6 NTAS bulletins and alerts.

7 (3) The public accessibility and use of NTAS
8 bulletins and alerts.

9 (4) The effectiveness of the current NTAS in
10 communicating timely and detailed information to
11 the public about potential terrorism threats.

12 (5) The impact of NTAS bulletins and alerts on
13 the ability of Federal, State, local, Tribal, and terri-
14 torial law enforcement and emergency responders to
15 prepare for, prevent, respond to, and mitigate
16 against terrorism threats.

17 (6) Mechanisms to ensure NTAS bulletins and
18 alerts reach the greatest number of people possible.

19 (c) ENGAGEMENT.—In developing the strategy, the
20 Secretary shall engage with individuals, stakeholders, the
21 private sector, and Federal, State, local, Tribal, and terri-
22 torial law enforcement and emergency responders to re-
23 ceive feedback on options to modernize the NTAS, includ-
24 ing feedback related to the considerations under sub-
25 section (b).

1 (d) COMPTROLLER GENERAL.—Not later than two
2 years after the submission of the strategy, the Comptroller
3 General of the United States shall report to the Committee
4 on Homeland Security of the House of Representatives
5 and the Committee on Homeland Security and Govern-
6 mental Affairs of the Senate on the implementation of this
7 section.

