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**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2278**  
**OFFERED BY MS. JACKSON LEE OF TEXAS**

Page 174, after line 21, add the following:

1 **SEC. 607. BORDER PATROL MOBILE RAPID RESPONSE**  
2 **TEAMS.**

3 (a) FINDINGS.—The Congress finds as follows:

4 (1) It is possible for agents of U.S. Immigra-  
5 tion and Customs Enforcement to use mobile rapid  
6 response teams.

7 (2) If such agents are in the field near the bor-  
8 der and encounter trouble, they should be able to  
9 call a mobile response team if they cannot get help  
10 quickly enough by other means.

11 (b) PLAN.—Not later than 90 days after the date of  
12 the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Homeland Se-  
13 curity shall submit to the appropriate congressional com-  
14 mittees a plan for developing and deploying mobile rapid  
15 response teams to achieve the following objectives, and  
16 submit progress reports on the program every 90 days  
17 after it has been implemented:

18 (1) Expand the Border Control Tactical Team  
19 program to make emergency assistance available to  
20 law enforcement officers in border areas along the

1 Mexican border that are not designated as high traf-  
2 fic locations, including officers who operate on Trib-  
3 al land.

4 (2) Provide helicopters and other military  
5 transports to ensure that the teams can deploy  
6 quickly to where they are needed.

7 (3) Maintain airborne patrols of these units to  
8 facilitate quick deployment when they are called.

9 (4) Provide a similar airborne force of regular  
10 border patrol officers who will provide the same  
11 emergency response service for ranchers, farmers,  
12 and other people who live or work in these border  
13 areas.

14 (c) IMPLEMENTATION.—The Secretary of Homeland  
15 Security shall implement the plan described in subsection  
16 (a) not later than 120 days after the date on which the  
17 plan is submitted.

