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To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to make technical corrections to the requirement that the Secretary of Homeland Security submit quadrennial homeland security reviews, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Homeland Security

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 “Quadrennial Homeland
5 Security Review Technical Corrections Act of 2017”.

1 **SEC. 2. TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO QUADRENNIAL**
2 **HOMELAND SECURITY REVIEW.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 707 of the Homeland Se-
4 curity Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 347) is amended—

5 (1) in subsection (a)(3)—

6 (A) in subparagraph (B), by striking
7 “and” after the semicolon at the end;

8 (B) by redesignating subparagraph (C) as
9 subparagraph (D); and

10 (C) by inserting after subparagraph (B)
11 the following new subparagraph:

12 “(C) representatives from appropriate ad-
13 visory committees established pursuant to sec-
14 tion 871, including the Homeland Security Ad-
15 visory Council and the Homeland Security
16 Science and Technology Advisory Committee, or
17 otherwise established, including the Aviation
18 Security Advisory Committee established pursu-
19 ant to section 44946 of title 49, United States
20 Code; and”;

21 (2) in subsection (b)—

22 (A) in paragraph (2), by inserting before
23 the semicolon at the end the following: “based
24 on the risk assessment required pursuant to
25 subsection (c)(2)(B)”;

26 (B) in paragraph (3)—

1 (i) by inserting “, to the extent prac-
2 ticable,” after “describe”; and

3 (ii) by striking “budget plan” and in-
4 serting “resources required”;

5 (C) in paragraph (4)—

6 (i) by inserting “, to the extent prac-
7 ticable,” after “identify”;

8 (ii) by striking “budget plan required
9 to provide sufficient resources to success-
10 fully” and inserting “resources required
11 to”; and

12 (iii) by striking the semicolon at the
13 end and inserting the following: “, includ-
14 ing any resources identified from redun-
15 dant, wasteful, or unnecessary capabilities
16 or capacities that may be redirected to bet-
17 ter support other existing capabilities or
18 capacities, as the case may be; and”;

19 (D) in paragraph (5), by striking “; and”
20 and inserting a period; and

21 (E) by striking paragraph (6);

22 (3) in subsection (c)—

23 (A) in paragraph (1), by striking “Decem-
24 ber 31 of the year” and inserting “60 days
25 after the date of the submission of the Presi-

1 dent’s budget for the fiscal year after the fiscal
2 year”;

3 (B) in paragraph (2)—

4 (i) in subparagraph (B), by striking
5 “description of the threats to” and insert-
6 ing “risk assessment of”;

7 (ii) in subparagraph (C), by inserting
8 “, as required under subsection (b)(2)” be-
9 fore the semicolon at the end;

10 (iii) in subparagraph (D)—

11 (I) by inserting “to the extent
12 practicable,” before “a description”;
13 and

14 (II) by striking “budget plan”
15 and inserting “resources required”;

16 (iv) in subparagraph (F)—

17 (I) by inserting “to the extent
18 practicable,” before “a discussion”;
19 and

20 (II) by striking “the status of”;

21 (v) in subparagraph (G)—

22 (I) by inserting “to the extent
23 practicable,” before “a discussion”;

24 (II) by striking “the status of”;

1 (III) by inserting “and risks” be-
2 fore “to national homeland”; and

3 (IV) by inserting “and” after the
4 semicolon at the end;

5 (vi) by striking subparagraph (H);

6 and

7 (vii) by redesignating subparagraph
8 (I) as subparagraph (H);

9 (C) by redesignating paragraph (3) as
10 paragraph (4); and

11 (D) by inserting after paragraph (2) the
12 following new paragraph:

13 “(3) DOCUMENTATION.—The Secretary shall
14 retain and, upon request, provide to Congress the
15 following documentation regarding each quadrennial
16 homeland security review:

17 “(A) Records regarding the consultation
18 carried out the pursuant to subsection (a)(3),
19 including—

20 “(i) all written communications, in-
21 cluding communications sent out by the
22 Secretary and feedback submitted to the
23 Secretary through technology, online com-
24 munications tools, in-person discussions,
25 and the interagency process; and

1 “(ii) information on how feedback re-
2 ceived by the Secretary informed each such
3 quadrennial homeland security review.

4 “(B) Information regarding the risk as-
5 sessment required under subsection (c)(2)(B),
6 including—

7 “(i) the risk model utilized to generate
8 such risk assessment;

9 “(ii) information, including data used
10 in the risk model, utilized to generate such
11 risk assessment;

12 “(iii) sources of information, including
13 other risk assessments, utilized to generate
14 such risk assessment; and

15 “(iv) information on assumptions,
16 weighing factors, and subjective judgments
17 utilized to generate such risk assessment,
18 together with information on the rationale
19 or basis thereof.”;

20 (4) by redesignating subsection (d) as sub-
21 section (e); and

22 (5) by inserting after subsection (c) the fol-
23 lowing new subsection:

24 “(d) REVIEW.—Not later than 90 days after the sub-
25 mission of each report required under subsection (c)(1),

1 the Secretary shall provide to the Committee on Homeland
2 Security of the House of Representatives and the Com-
3 mittee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs
4 of the Senate information on the degree to which the find-
5 ings and recommendations developed in the quadrennial
6 homeland security review that is the subject of such report
7 were integrated into the acquisition strategy and expendi-
8 ture plans for the Department.”.

9 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
10 this Act shall apply with respect to a quadrennial home-
11 land security review conducted after December 31, 2021.

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