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H. R. 2261

[Report No. 119-]

To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to enhance the Department of Homeland Security's oversight of certain intelligence matters, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 21, 2025

Mr. HERNÁNDEZ introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on Homeland Security

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Committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union,
and ordered to be printed

A BILL

To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to enhance the Department of Homeland Securitys oversight of certain intelligence matters, 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 “Strengthening Over-
5 sight of DHS Intelligence Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. ENHANCED DHS OVERSIGHT OF CERTAIN INTEL-**
7 **LIGENCE MATTERS.**

8 The Homeland Security Act of 2002 is amended—
9 (1) in paragraph (9) of section 201(d) (6
10 U.S.C. 121(d))—

11 (A) in subparagraph (A), by striking
12 “and” after the semicolon;

13 (B) in subparagraph (B), by striking the
14 period at the end and inserting “; and”; and

15 (C) by adding at the end the following new
16 subparagraph:

17 “(C) any intelligence information under
18 this Act is shared, retained, and disseminated
19 consistent with the protection of privacy rights,
20 civil rights, and civil liberties, as determined,
21 respectively, by the Chief Privacy Officer and
22 the Officer for Civil Rights and Civil Lib-
23 erties.”;

24 (2) in subsection (a) of section 222 (6 U.S.C.
25 142)—

1 (A) in paragraph (5)(B), by striking “and”
2 after the semicolon;

3 (B) in paragraph (6), by striking the pe-
4 riod at the end and inserting “; and”; and

5 (C) by adding at the end the following new
6 paragraph:

7 “(7) coordinating with the Under Secretary for
8 Intelligence and Analysis to—

9 “(A) ensure that any intelligence informa-
10 tion under this Act is shared, retained, and dis-
11 seminated in a manner consistent with the pro-
12 tection of the privacy rights; and

13 “(B) provide training to intelligence per-
14 sonnel on privacy rights, regulations, and infor-
15 mation practices as specified in section 552a of
16 title 5, United States Code (commonly referred
17 to as the ‘Privacy Act of 1974’) and other rel-
18 evant laws, with a focus on personnel who have
19 authority to disseminate information analyzed
20 by the Department pursuant to paragraph (6)
21 of section 201(d) or the responsibility to review
22 information to be disseminated pursuant to
23 such paragraph.”; and

24 (3) in subsection (a) of section 705 (6 U.S.C.
25 345)—

1 (A) in paragraph (5)(B), by striking “and”
2 after the semicolon;

3 (B) in paragraph (6), by striking the pe-
4 riod and inserting “; and”; and

5 (C) by adding at the end the following new
6 paragraph:

7 “(7) coordinate with the Under Secretary for
8 Intelligence and Analysis to—

9 “(A) ensure that any intelligence informa-
10 tion under this Act is shared, retained, and dis-
11 seminated in a manner consistent with the pro-
12 tection of civil rights and civil liberties; and

13 “(B) provide training to intelligence per-
14 sonnel on civil rights and civil liberties, with a
15 focus on personnel who have authority to dis-
16 seminate information analyzed by the Depart-
17 ment pursuant to paragraph (6) of section
18 201(d) or the responsibility to review informa-
19 tion to be disseminated pursuant to such para-
20 graph.”.