

Union Calendar No. 283

116TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 3787

[Report No. 116-356]

To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish in the Department of Homeland Security an Unmanned Aircraft Systems Coordinator, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 16, 2019

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

DECEMBER 18, 2019

Additional sponsor: Mr. TAYLOR

DECEMBER 18, 2019

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[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on July 16, 2019]

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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 “DHS Countering Un-*
5 *manned Aircraft Systems Coordinator Act”.*

6 **SEC. 2. UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS COUNTER-**
7 **MEASURES COORDINATOR.**

8 *(a) IN GENERAL.—Title III of the Homeland Security*
9 *Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 181 et seq.) is amended by adding*
10 *at the end the following new section:*

11 **“SEC. 321. COUNTERING UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS**
12 **COORDINATOR.**

13 *“(a) COORDINATOR.—The Secretary shall designate an*
14 *official of the Department as the Countering Unmanned*
15 *Aircraft Systems (UAS) Coordinator (in this section re-*
16 *ferred to as the ‘Coordinator’) to coordinate with relevant*
17 *Department offices and components, including the Office for*
18 *Civil Rights and Civil Liberties and the Privacy Office and*
19 *other relevant Federal agencies, as appropriate, on the de-*
20 *velopment of policies and plans to counter threats associ-*
21 *ated with UAS, including the following:*

22 *“(1) Countering UAS that may be used in a ter-*
23 *rorist attack.*

24 *“(2) Promoting research and development of*
25 *counter UAS technologies.*

1 “(3) *Ensuring the dissemination of information*
2 *and guidance related to countering UAS threats.*”

3 “(4) *Serving as the Department point of contact*
4 *for Federal, State, local, and Tribal law enforcement*
5 *entities and the private sector regarding the Depart-*
6 *ment’s activities related to countering UAS.*”

7 “(5) *Carrying out other related UAS activities,*
8 *as directed by the Secretary.*”

9 “(b) *COORDINATION WITH APPLICABLE FEDERAL*
10 *LAWS.—The Coordinator shall, in addition to other as-*
11 *signed duties, coordinate with relevant Department offices*
12 *and components and other relevant Federal agencies, as ap-*
13 *propriate, to ensure testing, evaluation, or deployment of*
14 *a system used to identify, assess, or defeat a UAS is carried*
15 *out in accordance with applicable Federal laws.*”

16 “(c) *COORDINATION WITH PRIVATE SECTOR.—The Co-*
17 *ordinator shall, working with the Office of Partnership and*
18 *Engagement and other relevant Department offices and*
19 *components, or other Federal agencies, as appropriate, serve*
20 *as the principal Department official responsible for dis-*
21 *seminating to the private sector information regarding*
22 *counter UAS technology, particularly information regard-*
23 *ing instances in which counter UAS technology may impact*
24 *lawful private sector services or systems.*”

1 **(b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.**—*The table of contents in*
2 *section 1(b) of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 is*
3 *amended by inserting after the item relating to section 320*
4 *the following new item:*

“Sec. 321. Countering Unmanned Aircraft Systems Coordinator.”.

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