

116TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 5344

To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to provide support to State and local governments in their efforts to counter violent extremist threats, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 6, 2019

Mr. AGUILAR 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 “Preventing Radical Ex-
5 tremist’s Violent Endeavors Now and Tomorrow Act of
6 2019” or the “PREVENT Act of 2019”.

1 **SEC. 2. SUPPORT TO STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS IN**
2 **THEIR EFFORTS TO COUNTER VIOLENT EX-**
3 **TREMIST THREATS.**

4 Subsection (b) of section 801 of the Homeland Secu-
5 rity Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 361) is amended—

6 (1) in paragraph (3), by striking “and” after
7 the semicolon at the end;

8 (2) in paragraph (4), by striking the period at
9 the end and inserting “; and”; and

10 (3) by adding at the end the following new
11 paragraph:

12 “(5) for the purposes of countering violent ex-
13 tremist threats—

14 “(A) provide training from specially
15 trained clinical social workers, psychologists, re-
16 ligious leaders, community leaders, and law en-
17 forcement personnel, to assist local efforts at
18 securing the homeland; and

19 “(B) in coordination with the Federal Bu-
20 reau of Investigation, provide to State and local
21 governments specialists, analysts, and agents
22 trained to counter terrorism and White nation-
23 alism to assist, in the manner and degree nec-
24 essary, local efforts at responding to such
25 threats.”.