



**One Hundred Seventeenth Congress
Committee on Homeland Security
U.S. House of Representatives
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COMMITTEE ACTION

The Committee on Homeland Security met, pursuant to notice, in open markup session, a quorum being present, on Thursday, March 18, 2021, via Cisco WebEx to consider the following measures:

- H.R. 1833, (Mr. Katko), To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to provide for the responsibility of the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency to maintain capabilities to identify threats to industrial control systems, and for other purposes. The “DHS Industrial Control Systems Capabilities Enhancement Act of 2021.”
- H.R. 1850, (Miss Rice), To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 relating to the National Urban Security Technology Laboratory, and for other purposes. The “Supporting Research and Development for First Responders Act.”
- H.R. 1870, (Ms. Barragán), To require the Secretary of Homeland Security to prioritize strengthening of local transportation security capabilities by assigning certain officers and intelligence analysts to State, local, and regional fusion centers in jurisdictions with a high-risk surface transportation asset and improving the timely sharing of information regarding threats of terrorism and other threats, including targeted violence, and for other purposes. The “Strengthening Local Transportation Security Capabilities Act of 2021.”
- H.R. 1871, (Mr. Bishop), To improve the understanding and clarity of Transportation Security Administration policies, and for other purposes. The “Transportation Security Transparency Improvement Act.”
- H.R. 1877, (Mr. Cleaver), To require the Transportation Security Administration to issue a plan to improve security screening procedures at airports during the COVID-19 national emergency, and for other purposes. The “Security Screening During COVID-19 Act.”
- H.R. 1893, (Mrs. Watson Coleman), To direct the Transportation Security Administration to develop a transportation security preparedness plan in the event of a communicable disease outbreak, and for other purposes. The “Transportation Security Preparedness Act of 2021.”

H.R. 1895, (Mr. Gimenez), To enhance the preparedness of the Transportation Security Administration for public health threats to the transportation security system of the United States, and for other purposes. The “Transportation Security Public Health Threat Preparedness Act of 2021.”

The Committee took the following actions:

A unanimous consent request by Mr. Thompson that H.R. 1833, H.R. 1870, and H.R. 1877 be discharged from their respective subcommittees and be considered en bloc was NOT OBJECTED TO.

A unanimous consent request by Mr. Thompson that H.R. 1833, H.R. 1870, and H.R. 1877 together with the amendments prefiled and listed on the roster be adopted; the measures as amended be agreed to; the measures as amended be ordered to be reported to the House with a favorable recommendation; was NOT OBJECTED TO.

A unanimous consent request by Mr. Thompson that H.R. 1850, H.R. 1871, H.R. 1893, and H.R. 1895 be discharged from their respective subcommittees and be considered en bloc was NOT OBJECTED TO.

A unanimous consent request by Mr. Thompson that H.R. 1850, H.R. 1871, H.R. 1893 and H.R. 1895 be agreed to; the measures be ordered to be reported to the House with a favorable recommendation; was NOT OBJECTED TO.

H.R. 1833, (Mr. Katko), To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to provide for the responsibility of the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency to maintain capabilities to identify threats to industrial control systems, and for other purposes was ordered to be reported to the House of Representatives with a favorable recommendation, as amended, by unanimous consent.

The Chair discharged the Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection, and Innovation from further consideration of H.R. 1833.

The following amendments were offered:

An amendment offered by Mr. Langevin (#11): Page 3, line 1, insert “, in consultation with Sector Risk Management Agencies, as appropriate,” after “efforts”; Page 3, line 9, insert “Sector Risk Management Agencies,” before “other Federal agencies,”; Page 3, line 17, insert “Sector Risk Management Agencies,” before “other Federal agencies,”; was AGREED TO by unanimous consent.

An amendment offered by Mr. Torres (#59): Add at the end of section 2 the following:

(c) GAO REVIEW.—Not later than two years after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General of the United States shall review implementation of the requirements of subsections (e)(1)(I) and (p) of section 2209 of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 659), as amended by subsection (a), and submit to the Committee on Homeland Security in the House of Representatives and the Committee on Homeland Security and Government Affairs of the Senate a report containing findings and recommendations relating to such implementation. Such report shall include information on the following: (1) Any interagency coordination challenges to the ability of the Director of the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Agency of the Department of Homeland Security to lead Federal efforts to identify and mitigate cybersecurity threats to industrial control systems pursuant to subsection (p)(1) of such section; (2) The degree to which the Agency has adequate capacity, expertise, and resources to carry out threat hunting and incident response capabilities to mitigate cybersecurity threats to industrial control systems pursuant to subsection (p)(2) of such section, as well as additional resources that would be needed to close any operational gaps in such capabilities; (3) The extent to which industrial control system stakeholders sought cybersecurity technical assistance from the Agency pursuant to subsection (p)(3) of such section, and the utility and effectiveness of such technical assistance; (4) The degree to which the Agency works with security researchers and other industrial control systems stakeholders, pursuant to subsection (p)(4) of such section, to provide vulnerability information to the industrial control systems community; was AGREED TO by unanimous consent.

A unanimous consent request by Mr. Thompson to consider the measure by roster; dispense with the first reading; and adopt the measure as amended, was NOT OBJECTED TO.

A unanimous consent request by Mr. Thompson to report the measure to the House with a favorable recommendation; was NOT OBJECTED TO.

H.R. 1850, (Miss Rice), To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 relating to the National Urban Security Technology Laboratory, and for other purposes was ordered to be reported to the House of Representatives with a favorable recommendation, by unanimous consent.

The Chair discharged the Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection, and Innovation from further consideration of H.R. 1850.

A unanimous consent request by Mr. Thompson to dispense with the first reading and adopt the measure; was NOT OBJECTED TO.

A unanimous consent request by Mr. Thompson to report the measure to the House with a favorable recommendation; was NOT OBJECTED TO.

H.R. 1870, (Ms. Barragán) To require the Secretary of Homeland Security to prioritize strengthening of local transportation security capabilities by assigning certain officers and intelligence analysts to State, local, and regional fusion centers in jurisdictions with a high-risk surface transportation asset and improving the timely sharing of information regarding threats of terrorism and other threats, including targeted violence, and for other purposes was ordered to be reported to the House of Representatives with a favorable recommendation, as amended, by unanimous consent.

The Chair discharged the Subcommittee on Transportation and Maritime Security from further consideration of H.R. 1870.

The following amendments were offered:

An amendment offered by Ms. Barragán (#1): In section 3(a), insert “, in a manner consistent with the protection of privacy rights, civil rights, and civil liberties,” after “sharing”. In section 4(a), insert “in a manner consistent with the protection of privacy rights, civil rights, and civil liberties,” before “develop”; was AGREED TO by unanimous consent.

An amendment offered by Ms. Slotkin (#2): In section 3, add at the end the following: (d) GAO REPORT.—Not later than two years after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General of the United States shall submit to the Committee on Homeland Security of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs of the Senate a review of the implementation of this section, together with any recommendations to improve information sharing with State, local, Tribal, territorial, and private sector entities to prevent, identify, and respond to threats of terrorism and other threats, including targeted violence, to surface transportation assets; was AGREED TO by unanimous consent.

A unanimous consent request by Mr. Thompson to consider the measure by roster; dispense with the first reading; and adopt the measure as amended, was NOT OBJECTED TO.

A unanimous consent request by Mr. Thompson to report the measure to the House with a favorable recommendation; was NOT OBJECTED TO.

H.R. 1871, (Mr. Bishop), To improve the understanding and clarity of Transportation Security Administration policies, and for other purposes was ordered to be reported to the House of Representatives with a favorable recommendation, by unanimous consent.

The Chair discharged the Subcommittee on Transportation and Maritime Security from further consideration of H.R. 1871.

A unanimous consent request by Mr. Thompson to dispense with the first reading and adopt the measure; was NOT OBJECTED TO.

A unanimous consent request by Mr. Thompson to report the measure to the House with a favorable recommendation; was NOT OBJECTED TO.

H.R. 1877, (Mr. Cleaver), To require the Transportation Security Administration to issue a plan to improve security screening procedures at airports during the COVID-19 national emergency, and for other purposes was ordered to be reported to the House of Representatives with a favorable recommendation, as amended, by unanimous consent.

The Chair discharged the Subcommittee on Transportation and Maritime Security from further consideration of H.R. 1877.

The following amendment was offered:

An amendment offered by Mr. Cleaver (#8): In section 2(d), strike “shall” and insert “may”. In section 2(f), in the heading, insert ‘ISSUANCE AND’ before ‘IMPLEMENTATION’. In section 2(f), strike “implement” and insert “issue or implement, as the case may be,”. In section 2(f), strike “implementation” and insert “issuance or implementation, as the case may be,”. In section 2(g), strike “commencement of implementation pursuant to subsection (e) of the plan required under subsection (a)” and insert “issuance of the plan required under subsection (a) (if such plan is issued in accordance with subsection (f)),”. In section 2(g), strike “a review of such implementation” and insert “a review, if appropriate, of such plan and any efforts to implement such plan”; was AGREED TO by unanimous consent.

A unanimous consent request by Mr. Thompson to consider the measure by roster; dispense with the first reading; and adopt the measure as amended, was NOT OBJECTED TO.

A unanimous consent request by Mr. Thompson to report the measure to the House with a favorable recommendation; was NOT OBJECTED TO.

H.R. 1893, (Mrs. Watson Coleman), To direct the Transportation Security Administration to develop a transportation security preparedness plan in the event of a communicable disease outbreak, and for other purposes was ordered to be reported to the House of Representatives with a favorable recommendation, by unanimous consent.

The Chair discharged the Subcommittee on Transportation and Maritime Security from further consideration of H.R. 1893.

A unanimous consent request by Mr. Thompson to dispense with the first reading and adopt the measure; was NOT OBJECTED TO.

A unanimous consent request by Mr. Thompson to report the measure to the House with a favorable recommendation; was NOT OBJECTED TO.

H.R. 1895, (Mr. Gimenez), To enhance the preparedness of the Transportation Security Administration for public health threats to the transportation security system of the United States, and for other purposes was ordered to be reported to the House of Representatives with a favorable recommendation, by unanimous consent.

The Chair discharged the Subcommittee on Transportation and Maritime Security from further consideration of H.R. 1895.

A unanimous consent request by Mr. Thompson to dispense with the first reading and adopt the measure; was NOT OBJECTED TO.

A unanimous consent request by Mr. Thompson to report the measure to the House with a favorable recommendation; was NOT OBJECTED TO.

A motion by Mr. Torres that, pursuant to Rule XXII, clause 1, the Committee authorizes the Chair to offer such motions as may be necessary in the House to go to conference with the Senate on H.R. 1833, H.R. 1850, H.R. 1870, H.R. 1871, H.R. 1877, H.R. 1893, and H.R. 1895; WAS AGREED TO.

A unanimous consent request by Mr. Katko that, pursuant to Rule XI clause 2(1), Members may have two days in which to file any supplemental, minority, or additional views on H.R. 1833, H.R. 1850, H.R. 1870, H.R. 1871, H.R. 1877, H.R. 1893, and H.R. 1895; was NOT OBJECTED TO.

