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COMMITTEE ACTION

The Committee on Homeland Security met, pursuant to notice, in open markup session, a quorum being present, on Wednesday, March 8, 2017, in 210 of the House Visitors Center to consider the following measures:

H.R. 876, (Mr. Katko) To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to reform programs of the Transportation Security Administration, and for other purposes. The “Aviation Employee Screening and Security Enhancement Act of 2017”.

H.R. 1238, (Mr. Young of Iowa) To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to make the Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security for Health Affairs responsible for coordinating the efforts of the Department of Homeland Security related to food, agriculture, and veterinary defense against terrorism, and for other purposes. The “Securing our Agriculture and Food Act”.

H.R. 1249, (Mr. Fitzpatrick) To amend the Homeland Security of 2002 to require a multiyear acquisition strategy of the Department of Homeland Security, and for other purposes. The “DHS Multiyear Acquisition Strategy Act of 2017”.

H.R. 1252, (Mr. Higgins of Louisiana) To amend the Homeland Security of 2002 to provide for certain acquisition authorities for the Under Secretary of Management of the Department of Homeland Security, and for other purposes. The “DHS Acquisition Authorities Act of 2017”.

H.R. 1258, (Mr. Perry) To make technical corrections to the Homeland Security Act of 2002. The “HSA Technical Corrections Act”.

H.R. 1282, (Mr. Garrett) To amend the Homeland Security of 2002 to establish Acquisition Review Boards in the Department of Homeland Security, and for other purposes. The “DHS Acquisition Review Board Act of 2017”.

H.R. 1294, (Mr. Rutherford) To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to provide for congressional notification regarding major acquisition program breaches, and for other purposes. The “Reducing DHS Acquisition Cost Growth Act”.

H.R. 1297, (Mrs. Watson Coleman) 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. The “Quadrennial Homeland Security Review Technical Corrections Act of 2017”.

H.R. 1302, (Ms. McSally) To require an exercise related to terrorist and foreign fighter travel, and for other purposes. The “Terrorist and Foreign Fighter Travel Exercise Act of 2017”.

H.R. 1309, (Mr. Katko) To streamline the office and term of the Administrator of the Transportation Security Administration, and for other purposes. The “TSA Administrator Modernization Act of 2017”.

H.R. 1353, (Miss Rice of New York) To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to require certain additional information to be submitted to Congress regarding the strategic 5-year technology investment plan of the Transportation Security Administration. The “Transparency in Technological Acquisitions Act of 2017”.

H.R. 1365, (Mr. Correa) To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to require certain acquisition innovation, and for other purposes. The “Department of Homeland Security Acquisition Innovation Act”.

H.R. 1370, (Mr. McCaul) To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to require the Secretary of Homeland Security to issue Department of Homeland Security-wide guidance and develop training programs as part of the Department of Homeland Security Blue Campaign, and for other purposes. The “Department of Homeland Security Blue Campaign Authorization Act of 2017”.

H.R. 1372, (Mr. Payne) To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to ensure that the needs of children are considered in homeland security planning, and for other purposes. The “Homeland Security for Children Act”.

The Committee took the following actions:

H.R. 1238, To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to make the Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security for Health Affairs responsible for coordinating the efforts of the Department of Homeland Security related to food, agriculture, and veterinary defense against terrorism, and for other purposes.; was ordered to be reported to the House of Representatives with a favorable recommendation, without amendment by voice vote.

H.R. 1258, To make technical corrections to the Homeland Security Act of 2002; was ordered to be reported to the House of Representatives with a favorable recommendation, without amendment, by voice vote.

H.R. 1294, To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to provide for congressional notification regarding major acquisition program breaches, and for other purposes.; was ordered to be reported to the House of Representatives with a favorable recommendation, without amendment, by voice vote.

H.R. 1297, 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.; was ordered to be reported to the House of Representatives with a favorable recommendation, without amendment, by voice vote.

H.R. 1302, To require an exercise related to terrorist and foreign fighter travel, and for other purposes.; was ordered to be reported to the House of Representatives with a favorable recommendation, without amendment, by voice vote.

H.R. 1309, To streamline the office and term of the Administrator of the Transportation Security Administration, and for other purposes.; was ordered to be reported to the House of Representatives with a favorable recommendation, without amendment, by voice vote.

H.R. 1370, To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to require the Secretary of Homeland Security to issue Department of Homeland Security-wide guidance and develop training programs as part of the Department of Homeland Security Blue Campaign, and for other purposes.; was ordered to be reported to the House of Representatives with a favorable recommendation, as amended, by voice vote.

The Committee agreed to H.R. 1370, as amended, by voice vote.

The following amendments were offered:

An amendment offered by Mr. Thompson of Mississippi (#1); Page 2, line 9, insert before “As part of the Blue Campaign” the following: “There is authorized in the Department a campaign to be known as the ‘Blue Campaign’.”.

Page 2, line 12, strike “and” after the semicolon.

Page 2, line 14, strike the period and insert “; and”.

Page 2, line 15, insert the following: “(3) coordinate departmental efforts, including training for such personnel.”.

Page 2, beginning line 18, amend paragraphs (1) and (2) to read as follows:

“(1) Programs for such personnel, as well as Federal, State, and local law enforcement entities, to help identify instances of human trafficking and potential connections to terrorist activities, including along the borders of the United States.

“(2) Systematic and routine information sharing between and among the components of the Department and the National Network of Fusion Centers regarding individuals suspected or convicted of human trafficking and patterns and practices of human trafficking and potential connections to terrorist activities, including along the borders of the United States.””.

Page 3, line 2, strike “border” and insert “borders”.

Page 3, line 14, redesignate paragraph (6) as paragraph (7).

Page 3, beginning line 14, insert the following: “(6) Leveraging partnerships with governmental, non-governmental, and private sector organizations at the State and local levels to raise public awareness of human trafficking and potential connections to terrorist activities, including along the borders of the United States.”.; was AGREED TO, by voice vote.

Without objection, the Chair authorized staff to make technical and conforming corrections to H.R. 1370.

H.R. 876, To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to reform programs of the Transportation Security Administration, and for other purposes.; was ordered to be reported to the House of Representatives with a favorable recommendation, as amended, by voice vote.

The Chair discharged the Subcommittee on Transportation Security from further consideration.

The following amendments were offered:

An Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute offered by Mr. Katko (#1); was AGREED TO, as amended by voice vote.

An amendment to the Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute offered by Mr. Thompson of Mississippi (#1A); Page 8, beginning line 3, strike “to air carriers, foreign air carriers, and airport operators”.

Page 8, line 5, insert “to the airport operator for the airport that is the subject of any such testing, and, as appropriate, to air carriers and foreign air carriers that operate at the airport that is the subject of such testing” before “the results.”.; was AGREED TO by voice vote.

Without objection, the Chair authorized staff to make technical and conforming corrections to H.R. 876.

H.R. 1353, To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to require certain additional information to be submitted to Congress regarding the strategic 5-year technology investment plan of the Transportation Security Administration.; was ordered to be reported to the House of Representatives with a favorable recommendation, without amendment, by voice vote.

H.R. 1249, To amend the Homeland Security of 2002 to require a multiyear acquisition strategy of the Department of Homeland Security, and for other purposes.; was ordered to be reported to the House of Representatives with a favorable recommendation, without amendment by voice vote.

H.R. 1252, To amend the Homeland Security of 2002 to provide for certain acquisition authorities for the Under Secretary of Management of the Department of Homeland Security, and for other purposes.; was ordered to be reported to the House of Representatives with a favorable recommendation, as amended, by voice vote.

The Committee agreed to H.R. 1252, as amended, by voice vote.

The following amendments were offered:

An amendment offered by Mr. Correa (#1); Page 3, line 8, insert before the period at the end the following: “and, where appropriate, acquisition innovation best practices”; was AGREED TO, by voice vote.

Without objection, the Chair authorized staff to make technical and conforming corrections to H.R. 1252.

H.R. 1282, To amend the Homeland Security of 2002 to establish Acquisition Review Boards in the Department of Homeland Security, and for other purposes.; was ordered to be reported to the House of Representatives with a favorable recommendation, as amended, by voice vote.

The Committee agreed to H.R. 1282, as amended, by voice vote.

The following amendments were offered:

An amendment offered by Mr. Thompson of Mississippi (#1); At page 5, line 20 insert new subsection entitled “(f) Report.” and make conforming changes.; was AGREED TO, by voice vote.

Without objection, the Chair authorized staff to make technical and conforming corrections to H.R. 1282.

H.R. 1365, To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to require certain acquisition innovation, and for other purposes.; was ordered to be reported to the House of Representatives with a favorable recommendation, as amended, by voice vote.

The Committee agreed to H.R. 1365, as amended, by voice vote.

The following amendments were offered:

A unanimous consent request by Mr. Perry to consider his amendments en bloc, was not objected to.

An en bloc amendment offered by Mr. Perry (#1); consisting of the following amendments:

An amendment:

Page 2, line 12, strike “and” after the semicolon.

Page 2, line 18, strike the period, the closing quotes, and the second period and insert “; and”.

Page 2, beginning line 19, insert the following:

“(5) determine impacts of acquisition innovation efforts on the private sector by—
“(A) engaging with the private sector, including small businesses, to provide information and obtain feedback on procurement practices and acquisition innovation efforts of the Department;

“(B) obtaining feedback from the private sector on the impact of acquisition innovation efforts of the Department; and

“(C) incorporating such feedback, as appropriate, into future acquisition innovation efforts of the Department.”.

An amendment:

Page 2, line 23, strike “REPORT” and insert “INFORMATION”.

Page 3, line 1, insert “for each of fiscal years 2018 through 2022” after “land Security”.

Page 3, line 1, strike “submit” and insert “provide information”.

Page 3, line 4, strike “a report”.

Page 3, beginning line 7, strike “. Each such report shall include information” and insert a comma.

Page 3, line 21, redesignate paragraph (5) as paragraph (6).

Page 3, beginning line 21, insert the following:

(5) Outcomes of efforts to distribute best practices and lessons learned within the Department, including through web-based seminars, training, and forums.

Page 3, line 22, strike “mechanism” and insert “mechanisms”.

Page 3, line 22, insert “the private sector, including” after “by the Department on”.

Page 3, after line 23, insert the following:

(7) The criteria used to identify specific acquisition programs or activities to be included in acquisition innovation efforts and the outcomes of such programs or activities.

(8) Recommendations, as necessary, to enhance acquisition innovation in the Department.

Page 3, line 22, insert “the private sector, including” after “by the Department on”.

Page 3, after line 23, insert the following:

(7) The criteria used to identify specific acquisition programs or activities to be included in acquisition innovation efforts and the outcomes of such programs or activities.

(8) Recommendations, as necessary, to enhance acquisition innovation in the Department.; was AGREED TO, by voice vote.

Without objection, the Chair authorized staff to make technical and conforming corrections to H.R. 1365.

H.R. 1372, To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to ensure that the needs of children are considered in homeland security planning, and for other purposes.; was ordered to be reported to the House of Representatives with a favorable recommendation, as amended, by voice vote.

The following amendments were offered:

An Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute offered by Mr. Payne (#1); was AGREED TO, as amended, by voice vote.

An amendment to the Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute offered by Mr. Payne (#1A); Page 2, line 19, strike “identify” and insert “review”.

Page 2, line 20, strike “integrate” and insert “incorporate feedback from organizations representing”.

Page 2, line 20, strike “the Department’s” and insert “Department”.

Page 2, line 21, strike “policies, programs, and activities” and insert “policy”.

Page 2, line 22, strike “(4)” and insert “(6)”.

Page 3, line 2, strike “(4)” and insert “(6)”.

Page 3, beginning line 3, strike “any policies, programs, or activities of the Department under such paragraph (4)” and insert “Department policies, programs, or activities”.

Page 3, line 6, insert before the period at the end the following: “and where feedback from organizations representing the needs of children should be reviewed and incorporated”.

Page 3, line 7, strike “such”.

Page 3, line 8, strike “any such” and insert “Department”.

Page 3, line 13, strike “(4)” and insert “(6)”.; was AGREED TO by voice vote.

Without objection, the Chair authorized staff to make technical and conforming corrections to H.R. 1372.

A motion by Mr. Gallagher 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. 876, H.R. 1238, H.R. 1249, H.R. 1252, H.R. 1258, H.R. 1282, H.R. 1294, H.R. 1297, H.R. 1302, H.R. 1309, H.R. 1353, H.R. 1365, H.R. 1370, H.R. 1372, or any similar measure, was NOT OBJECTED TO.

A motion by Mr. Thompson of Mississippi that, pursuant to Rule XI clause 2(l), Members may have two days in which to file any supplemental, minority, additional, or dissenting views on H.R. 876, H.R. 1238, H.R. 1249, H.R. 1252, H.R. 1258, H.R. 1282, H.R. 1294, H.R. 1297, H.R. 1302, H.R. 1309, H.R. 1353, H.R. 1365, H.R. 1370, and H.R. 1372, was NOT OBJECTED TO.

