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To reform and improve the Federal Emergency Management Agency, the Office of Emergency Communications, and the Office of Health Affairs of the Department of Homeland Security, and for other purposes.

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Ms. MCSALLY (for herself, Mr. McCAUL, Mr. DONOVAN, and Mr. PAYNE) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Homeland Security, and in addition to the Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure and Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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; TABLE OF CONTENTS.**

4 (a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the
5 “Promoting Resilience and Efficiency in Preparing for At-

1 tacks and Responding to Emergencies Act” or the “PRE-
 2 PARE Act”.

3 (b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents for
 4 this Act is as follows:

Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.

TITLE I—GRANTS, TRAINING, EXERCISES, AND COORDINATION

- Sec. 101. Memoranda of understanding.
- Sec. 102. Period of performance.
- Sec. 103. Operation Stonegarden.
- Sec. 104. Grants metrics.
- Sec. 105. Grant management best practices.
- Sec. 106. Administration and coordination of grants.
- Sec. 107. Funding prohibition.
- Sec. 108. Law enforcement terrorism prevention.
- Sec. 109. Allowable uses.
- Sec. 110. National Domestic Preparedness Consortium.
- Sec. 111. Rural Domestic Preparedness Consortium.
- Sec. 112. Emergency support functions.
- Sec. 113. Remedial action management program.

TITLE II—COMMUNICATIONS

- Sec. 201. Office of Emergency Communications.
- Sec. 202. Responsibilities of Office of Emergency Communications Director.
- Sec. 203. Annual reporting on activities of the Office of Emergency Commu-
 nications.
- Sec. 204. National Emergency Communications Plan.
- Sec. 205. Technical edits.
- Sec. 206. Public Safety Broadband Network.
- Sec. 207. Department of Homeland Security social media improvement.
- Sec. 208. Statewide interoperability coordinators.
- Sec. 209. Communications training.

TITLE III—MEDICAL PREPAREDNESS

- Sec. 301. Pre-event anthrax vaccination program for emergency response pro-
 viders.
- Sec. 302. Chief Medical Officer.
- Sec. 303. Medical Countermeasures Program.

TITLE IV—MANAGEMENT

- Sec. 401. Mission support.
- Sec. 402. Systems modernization.
- Sec. 403. Strategic human capital plan.

1 **TITLE I—GRANTS, TRAINING, EX-**
2 **ERCISES, AND COORDINA-**
3 **TION**

4 **SEC. 101. MEMORANDA OF UNDERSTANDING.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subtitle B of title XX of the
6 Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 611 et seq.)
7 is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

8 **“SEC. 2024. MEMORANDA OF UNDERSTANDING WITH DE-**
9 **PARTMENTAL COMPONENTS AND OFFICES.**

10 “The Administrator shall enter into memoranda of
11 understanding with the heads of the following depart-
12 mental components and offices delineating the roles and
13 responsibilities of such components and offices regarding
14 the policy and guidance for grants under section 1406 of
15 the Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commis-
16 sion Act of 2007 (6 U.S.C. 1135), sections 2003 and 2004
17 of this Act, and section 70107 of title 46, United States
18 Code, as appropriate:

19 “(1) The Commissioner of U.S. Customs and
20 Border Protection.

21 “(2) The Administrator of the Transportation
22 Security Administration.

23 “(3) The Commandant of the Coast Guard.

24 “(4) The Under Secretary for Intelligence and
25 Analysis.

1 “(5) The Director of the Office of Emergency
2 Communications.

3 “(6) The Assistant Secretary for State and
4 Local Law Enforcement.

5 “(7) The Countering Violent Extremism Coor-
6 dinator.

7 “(8) The heads of other components or offices
8 of the Department, as determined by the Sec-
9 retary.”.

10 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of contents
11 in section 1(b) of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 is
12 amended by inserting after the item relating to section
13 2023 the following new item:

 “Sec. 2024. Memorandum of understanding with departmental components and
 offices.”.

14 **SEC. 102. PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE.**

15 (a) URBAN AREA SECURITY INITIATIVE.—Section
16 2003 of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C.
17 604) is amended by—

18 (1) redesignating subsection (e) as subsection
19 (f); and

20 (2) inserting after subsection (d) the following
21 new subsection:

22 “(e) PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE.—The Administrator
23 shall make funds provided under this section available for

1 use by a recipient of a grant for a period of not less than
2 36 months.”.

3 (b) STATE HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT PRO-
4 GRAM.—Section 2004 of the Homeland Security Act of
5 2002 (6 U.S.C. 605) is amended by—

6 (1) redesignating subsection (f) as subsection
7 (g); and

8 (2) inserting after subsection (e) the following
9 the new subsection:

10 “(f) PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE.—The Administrator
11 shall make funds provided under this section available for
12 use by a recipient of a grant for a period of not less than
13 36 months.”.

14 (c) PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION SECURITY ASSIST-
15 ANCE GRANT PROGRAM.—Section 1406 of the Imple-
16 menting Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act (6
17 U.S.C. 1135; Public Law 110–53) is amended by—

18 (1) redesignating subsection (m) as subsection
19 (n); and

20 (2) inserting after subsection (l) the following
21 new subsection:

22 “(m) PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE.—The Secretary
23 shall make funds provided under this section available for
24 use by a recipient of a grant for a period of not less than
25 36 months.”.

1 (d) PORT SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM.—Section
2 70107 of title 46, United States Code, is amended by add-
3 ing at the end the following new subsection:

4 “(n) PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE.—The Secretary
5 shall make funds provided under this section available for
6 use by a recipient of a grant for a period of not less than
7 36 months.”.

8 (e) TRIBAL SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM.—Section
9 2005 of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C.
10 606) is amended by—

11 (1) redesignating subsections (h) through (k)
12 subsections (i) through (l), respectively; and

13 (2) inserting after subsection (g) the following
14 new subsection:

15 “(h) PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE.—The Secretary
16 shall make funds provided under this section available for
17 use by a recipient of a grant for a period of not less than
18 36 months.”.

19 **SEC. 103. OPERATION STONEGARDEN.**

20 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subtitle A of title XX of the
21 Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 601 et seq.)
22 is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

23 **“SEC. 2009. OPERATION STONEGARDEN.**

24 “(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established in the
25 Department a program to be known as ‘Operation

1 Stonegarden'. Under such program, the Secretary, acting
2 through the Administrator, shall make grants to eligible
3 law enforcement agencies, through the State Administra-
4 tive Agency, to enhance border security in accordance with
5 this section.

6 “(b) ELIGIBLE RECIPIENTS.—To be eligible to re-
7 ceive a grant under this section, a law enforcement agency
8 shall—

9 “(1) be located in—

10 “(A) a State bordering either Canada or
11 Mexico; or

12 “(B) a State or territory with a maritime
13 border; and

14 “(2) be involved in an active, ongoing U.S. Cus-
15 toms and Border Protection operation coordinated
16 through a sector office.

17 “(c) PERMITTED USES.—The recipient of a grant
18 under this section may use such grant for any of the fol-
19 lowing:

20 “(1) Equipment, including maintenance and
21 sustainment costs.

22 “(2) Personnel, including overtime and backfill,
23 in support of enhanced border law enforcement ac-
24 tivities.

1 “(3) Any activity permitted for Operation
2 Stonegarden under the Department of Homeland
3 Security’s Fiscal Year 2015 Homeland Security
4 Grant Program Notice of Funding Opportunity.

5 “(4) Any other appropriate activity, as deter-
6 mined by the Administrator, in consultation with the
7 Commissioner of U.S. Customs and Border Protec-
8 tion.

9 “(d) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
10 is authorized to be appropriated \$110,000,000 for each
11 of fiscal years 2016 through 2020 for grants under this
12 section.

13 “(e) REPORT.—The Administrator shall annually
14 submit to the Committee on Homeland Security of the
15 House of Representatives and the Committee on Home-
16 land Security and Governmental Affairs of the Senate a
17 report containing information on the expenditure of grants
18 made under this section by each grant recipient.”.

19 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Subsection (a) of
20 section 2002 of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6
21 U.S.C. 603) is amended to read as follows:

22 “(a) GRANTS AUTHORIZED.—The Secretary, through
23 the Administrator, may award grants under sections 2003,
24 2004, and 2009 to State, local, and tribal governments,
25 as appropriate.”.

1 (c) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of contents
2 in section 1(b) of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 is
3 amended by inserting after the item relating to section
4 2008 the following new item:

“Sec. 2009. Operation Stonegarden.”.

5 **SEC. 104. GRANTS METRICS.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—To determine the extent to which
7 grants under sections 2003 and 2004 of the Homeland
8 Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 603 and 604) have closed
9 capability gaps identified in State Preparedness Reports
10 required under subsection (c) of section 652 of the Post-
11 Katrina Emergency Management Reform Act of 2006 (6
12 U.S.C. 752; title VI of the Department of Homeland Secu-
13 rity Appropriations Act, 2007; Public Law 109–295) and
14 Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessments
15 from each State and high-risk urban area, the Adminis-
16 trator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency
17 shall conduct and submit to the Committee on Homeland
18 Security of the House of Representatives and the Com-
19 mittee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs
20 of the Senate an assessment of information provided in
21 such Reports and Assessments.

22 (b) ASSESSMENT REQUIREMENTS.—The assessment
23 required under subsection (a) shall include a comparison
24 of successive State Preparedness Reports and Threat and

1 Hazard Identification and Risk Assessments from each
2 State and high-risk urban area.

3 **SEC. 105. GRANT MANAGEMENT BEST PRACTICES.**

4 The Administrator of the Federal Emergency Man-
5 agement Agency shall include in the annual Notice of
6 Funding Opportunity relating to grants under sections
7 2003 and 2004 of the Homeland Security Act of 2002
8 (6 U.S.C. 604 and 605) an appendix that includes a sum-
9 mary of findings identified by the Office of the Inspector
10 General of the Department of Homeland Security in au-
11 dits of such grants and methods to address areas identi-
12 fied for improvement and innovative practices instituted
13 by grant recipients.

14 **SEC. 106. ADMINISTRATION AND COORDINATION OF**
15 **GRANTS.**

16 (a) IN GENERAL.—Paragraphs (1) and (2) of sub-
17 section (b) of section 2021 of the Homeland Security Act
18 of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 611) are amended to read as follows:

19 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Any State or high-risk
20 urban area receiving a grant under section 2003 or
21 2004 shall establish a State planning committee or
22 urban area working group to assist in preparation
23 and revision of the State, regional, or local homeland
24 security plan or the threat and hazard identification
25 and risk assessment, as the case may be, and to as-

1 sist in determining effective funding priorities for
2 grants under such sections 2003 and 2004.

3 “(2) COMPOSITION.—The State planning com-
4 mittees and urban area working groups referred to
5 in paragraph (1) shall include at least one represent-
6 ative from each of the following significant stake-
7 holders:

8 “(A) Local or tribal government officials.

9 “(B) Emergency response providers, in-
10 cluding representatives of the fire service, law
11 enforcement, emergency medical services, and
12 emergency managers.

13 “(C) Public health officials and other ap-
14 propriate medical practitioners.

15 “(D) Individuals representing educational
16 institutions, including elementary schools, com-
17 munity colleges, and other institutions of higher
18 education.

19 “(E) State and regional interoperable com-
20 munications coordinators, as appropriate.

21 “(F) State and major urban area fusion
22 centers, as appropriate.”.

23 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Paragraph (3) of
24 section 2021(b) (6 U.S.C. 611) is amended by inserting

1 “or urban area working group, as the case may be,” after
2 “planning committee”.

3 **SEC. 107. FUNDING PROHIBITION.**

4 The Secretary of Homeland Security may not imple-
5 ment the National Preparedness Grant Program or any
6 successor grant program unless the Secretary receives
7 prior authorization from Congress permitting such imple-
8 mentation.

9 **SEC. 108. LAW ENFORCEMENT TERRORISM PREVENTION.**

10 (a) LAW ENFORCEMENT TERRORISM PREVENTION
11 PROGRAM.—Subsection (a) of section 2006 of the Home-
12 land Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 607) is amended—

13 (1) in paragraph (1)—

14 (A) by inserting “States and high-risk
15 urban areas use” after “that”; and

16 (B) by striking “is used”; and

17 (2) in paragraph (2), by amending subpara-
18 graph (I) to read as follows:

19 “(I) activities as determined appropriate
20 by the Administrator, in coordination with the
21 Assistant Secretary for State and Local Law
22 Enforcement within the Office of Policy of the
23 Department, through outreach to relevant
24 stakeholder organizations.”.

1 (b) OFFICE FOR STATE AND LOCAL LAW ENFORCE-
2 MENT.—Subsection (b)(4) of section 2006 of the Home-
3 land Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 607) is amended—

4 (1) in subparagraph (B), by inserting “, includ-
5 ing through consultation with such agencies regard-
6 ing Department programs that may impact such
7 agencies” before the semicolon; and

8 (2) in subparagraph (D), by striking “ensure”
9 and inserting “certify”.

10 **SEC. 109. ALLOWABLE USES.**

11 Subsection (a) of section 2008 of the Homeland Secu-
12 rity Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 609) is amended—

13 (1) in the matter preceding paragraph (1), by
14 inserting “including by working in conjunction with
15 a National Laboratory (as defined in section 2(3) of
16 the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (42 U.S.C.
17 15801(3))),” after “plans,”;

18 (2) by redesignating paragraphs (6) through
19 (13) as paragraphs (7) through (14), respectively;

20 (3) by inserting after paragraph (5) the fol-
21 lowing new paragraph:

22 “(6) enhancing medical preparedness, medical
23 surge capacity, and mass prophylaxis capabilities, in-
24 cluding the development and maintenance of an ini-
25 tial pharmaceutical stockpile, including medical kits

1 and diagnostics sufficient to protect first responders,
2 their families, immediate victims, and vulnerable
3 populations from a chemical or biological event;”;
4 and

5 (4) in subsection (b)(3)(B), by striking
6 “(a)(10)” and inserting “(a)(11)”.

7 **SEC. 110. NATIONAL DOMESTIC PREPAREDNESS CONSOR-**
8 **TIUM.**

9 Section 1204 of the Implementing Recommendations
10 of the 9/11 Commission Act (6 U.S.C. 1102) is amend-
11 ed—

12 (1) in subsection (d), by amending paragraphs
13 (1) and (2) to read as follows:

14 “(1) for the Center for Domestic Preparedness,
15 \$65,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2016 and 2017;
16 and

17 “(2) for the remaining Members of the National
18 Domestic Preparedness Consortium, \$98,000,000
19 for each of fiscal years 2016 and 2017.”; and

20 (2) in subsection (e), in the matter preceding
21 paragraph (1), by striking “2007” and inserting
22 “2015”.

23 **SEC. 111. RURAL DOMESTIC PREPAREDNESS CONSORTIUM.**

24 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Homeland Secu-
25 rity is authorized to establish a Rural Domestic Prepared-

1 ness Consortium within the Department of Homeland Se-
2 curity consisting of universities and nonprofit organiza-
3 tions qualified to provide training to emergency response
4 providers from rural communities.

5 (b) DUTIES.—The Rural Domestic Preparedness
6 Consortium authorized under subsection (a) shall identify,
7 develop, test, and deliver training to State, local, and trib-
8 al emergency response providers from rural communities,
9 provide on-site and mobile training, and facilitate the de-
10 livery of training by the training partners of the Depart-
11 ment of Homeland Security.

12 (c) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Of
13 amounts appropriated for Continuing Training Grants of
14 the Department of Homeland Security, \$5,000,000 is au-
15 thorized to be used for the Rural Domestic Preparedness
16 Consortium authorized under subsection (a).

17 **SEC. 112. EMERGENCY SUPPORT FUNCTIONS.**

18 (a) UPDATE.—Paragraph (13) of section 504(a) of
19 the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 314(a)) is
20 amended by inserting “, periodically updating (but not less
21 often than once every five years),” after “administering”.

22 (b) EMERGENCY SUPPORT FUNCTIONS.—Section
23 653 of the Post-Katrina Emergency Management Reform
24 Act of 2006 (6 U.S.C. 753; title VI of the Department

1 of Homeland Security Appropriations Act, 2007; Public
2 Law 109–295) is amended—

3 (1) by redesignating subsections (d) and (e) as
4 subsections (e) and (f), respectively; and

5 (2) by inserting after subsection (c) the fol-
6 lowing new subsection:

7 “(d) COORDINATION.—The President, acting through
8 the Administrator, shall develop and provide to Federal
9 departments and agencies with coordinating, primary, or
10 supporting responsibilities under the National Response
11 Framework performance metrics to ensure readiness to
12 execute responsibilities under the emergency support func-
13 tions of such Framework.”.

14 **SEC. 113. REMEDIAL ACTION MANAGEMENT PROGRAM.**

15 Section 650 of the Post-Katrina Emergency Manage-
16 ment Reform Act of 2006 (6 U.S.C. 750; title VI of the
17 Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act,
18 2007; Public Law 109–295) is amended to read as follows:

19 **“SEC. 650. REMEDIAL ACTION MANAGEMENT PROGRAM.**

20 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator, in coordina-
21 tion with the National Council on Disability and the Na-
22 tional Advisory Council, shall establish a remedial action
23 management program to—

1 “(1) analyze training, exercises, and real world
2 events to identify lessons learned, corrective actions,
3 and best practices;

4 “(2) generate and disseminate, as appropriate,
5 the lessons learned, corrective actions, and best
6 practices referred to in paragraph (1); and

7 “(3) conduct remedial action tracking and long
8 term trend analysis.

9 “(b) FEDERAL CORRECTIVE ACTIONS.—The Admin-
10 istrator, in coordination with the heads of appropriate
11 Federal departments and agencies, shall utilize the pro-
12 gram established in subsection (a) to collect information
13 on corrective actions identified by such Federal depart-
14 ments and agencies during exercises and the response to
15 natural disasters, acts of terrorism, and other man-made
16 disasters, and shall, not later than one year after the date
17 of the enactment of this section and annually thereafter
18 for each of the next four years, submit to Congress a re-
19 port on the status of such corrective actions.

20 “(c) DISSEMINATION OF AFTER ACTION REPORTS.—
21 The Administrator shall provide electronically, to the max-
22 imum extent practicable, to Congress and Federal, State,
23 local, tribal, and private sector officials after-action re-
24 ports and information on lessons learned and best prac-
25 tices from responses to acts of terrorism, natural disas-

1 ters, capstone exercises conducted under the national exer-
2 cise program under section 648(b), and other emergencies
3 or exercises.”.

4 **TITLE II—COMMUNICATIONS**

5 **SEC. 201. OFFICE OF EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS.**

6 The Secretary of Homeland Security may not change
7 the location or reporting structure of the Office of Emer-
8 gency Communications of the Department of Homeland
9 Security unless the Secretary receives prior authorization
10 from the Committee on Homeland Security of the House
11 of Representatives and the Committee on Homeland Secu-
12 rity and Governmental Affairs of the Senate permitting
13 such change.

14 **SEC. 202. RESPONSIBILITIES OF OFFICE OF EMERGENCY** 15 **COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR.**

16 Subsection (c) of section 1801 of the Homeland Secu-
17 rity Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 571) is amended—

18 (1) by striking paragraph (3);

19 (2) by redesignating paragraphs (4) through
20 (15) as paragraphs (3) through (14), respectively;

21 (3) in paragraph (8), as so redesignated, by
22 striking “, in cooperation with the National Commu-
23 nications System,”;

24 (4) in paragraph (9), as so redesignated, by
25 striking “the Homeland Security Council,”;

1 (5) in paragraph (12) by striking “Assistant
2 Secretary for Grants and Training” and inserting
3 “Assistant Administrator of the Grant Programs Di-
4 rectorate of the Federal Emergency Management
5 Agency”;

6 (6) in paragraph (13), as so redesignated, by
7 striking “and” at the end; and

8 (7) by adding after paragraph (14), as so redesi-
9 gnated, the following new paragraphs:

10 “(15) administer the Government Emergency
11 Telecommunications Service (GETS) and Wireless
12 Priority Service (WPS) programs, or successor pro-
13 grams; and

14 “(16) assess the impact of emerging tech-
15 nologies on interoperable emergency communica-
16 tions.”.

17 **SEC. 203. ANNUAL REPORTING ON ACTIVITIES OF THE OF-**
18 **FICE OF EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS.**

19 Subsection (f) of section 1801 of the Homeland Secu-
20 rity Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 571) is amended to read as
21 follows:

22 “(f) ANNUAL REPORTING OF OFFICE ACTIVITIES.—
23 The Director of the Office of Emergency Communications
24 shall, not later than one year after the date of the enact-
25 ment of this subsection and annually thereafter for each

1 of the next four years, report to the Committee on Home-
2 land Security of the House of Representatives and the
3 Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Af-
4 fairs of the Senate on the activities and programs of the
5 Office, including specific information on efforts to carry
6 out paragraphs (4), (5), and (6) of subsection (c).”.

7 **SEC. 204. NATIONAL EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS PLAN.**

8 Section 1802 of the Homeland Security Act (6 U.S.C.
9 572) is amended—

10 (1) in subsection (a), in the matter preceding
11 paragraph (1)—

12 (A) by striking “, and in cooperation with
13 the Department of National Communications
14 System (as appropriate),”; and

15 (B) by inserting “, but not less than once
16 every five years,” after “periodically”; and

17 (2) in subsection (c)—

18 (A) by redesignating paragraphs (3)
19 through (10) as paragraphs (4) through (11),
20 respectively; and

21 (B) by inserting after paragraph (2) the
22 following new paragraph:

23 “(3) consider the impact of emerging tech-
24 nologies on the attainment of interoperable emer-
25 gency communications;”.

1 **SEC. 205. TECHNICAL EDITS.**

2 Title XVIII of the Homeland Security Act is amend-
3 ed—

4 (1) in subsection (d) of section 1801 (6 U.S.C.
5 571) by—

6 (A) striking paragraph (2); and

7 (B) redesignating paragraph (3) as para-
8 graph (2); and

9 (2) in paragraph (1) of section 1804(b) (6
10 U.S.C. 574(b)), in the matter preceding subpara-
11 graph (A), by striking “Assistant Secretary for
12 Grants and Planning” and inserting “Assistant Ad-
13 ministrator of the Grant Programs Directorate of
14 the Federal Emergency Management Agency”.

15 **SEC. 206. PUBLIC SAFETY BROADBAND NETWORK.**

16 The Undersecretary of the National Protection and
17 Programs Directorate of the Department of Homeland Se-
18 curity shall submit to the Committee on Homeland Secu-
19 rity of the House of Representatives and the Committee
20 on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs of the
21 Senate information on the Department of Homeland Secu-
22 rity’s responsibilities related to the development of the na-
23 tionwide Public Safety Broadband Network authorized in
24 section 6202 of the Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Cre-
25 ation Act of 2012 (47 U.S.C. 1422; Public Law 112–96),
26 including information on efforts by the Department to

1 work with the First Responder Network Authority of the
2 Department of Commerce to identify and address cyber
3 risks that could impact the near term or long term avail-
4 ability and operations of such network and recommenda-
5 tions to mitigate such risks.

6 **SEC. 207. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY SOCIAL**
7 **MEDIA IMPROVEMENT.**

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

11 **“SEC. 318. SOCIAL MEDIA WORKING GROUP.**

12 “(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary shall estab-
13 lish within the Department a social media working group
14 (in this section referred to as the ‘Group’).

15 “(b) PURPOSE.—In order to enhance the dissemina-
16 tion of information through social media technologies be-
17 tween the Department and appropriate stakeholders and
18 to improve use of social media technologies in support of
19 preparedness, response, and recovery, the Group shall
20 identify, and provide guidance and best practices to the
21 emergency preparedness and response community on the
22 use of social media technologies before, during, and after
23 acts of terrorism, natural disasters, and other emer-
24 gencies.

25 “(c) MEMBERSHIP.—

1 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Membership of the Group
2 shall be composed of a cross section of subject mat-
3 ter experts from Federal, State, local, tribal, terri-
4 torial, and nongovernmental organization practi-
5 tioners, including representatives from the following
6 entities:

7 “(A) The Office of Public Affairs of the
8 Department.

9 “(B) The Office of the Chief Information
10 Officer of the Department.

11 “(C) The Privacy Office of the Depart-
12 ment.

13 “(D) The Federal Emergency Management
14 Agency.

15 “(E) The Office of Disability Integration
16 and Coordination of the Federal Emergency
17 Management Agency.

18 “(F) The American Red Cross.

19 “(G) The United States Forest Service.

20 “(H) The Centers for Disease Control and
21 Prevention.

22 “(I) The United States Geological Survey.

23 “(J) The National Oceanic and Atmos-
24 pheric Administration.

25 “(2) CHAIRPERSON, CO-CHAIRPERSON.—

1 “(A) CHAIRPERSON.—The Secretary shall
2 serve as the chairperson of the Group.

3 “(B) CO-CHAIRPERSON.—The chairperson
4 shall designate, on a rotating basis, a represent-
5 ative from a State or local government who is
6 a member of the Group to serve as the co-chair-
7 person of the Group.

8 “(3) ADDITIONAL MEMBERS.—The chairperson
9 shall appoint, on a rotating basis, qualified individ-
10 uals to the Group. The total number of such addi-
11 tional members shall—

12 “(A) be equal to or greater than the total
13 number of regular members under paragraph
14 (1); and

15 “(B) include—

16 “(i) not fewer than three representa-
17 tives from the private sector; and

18 “(ii) representatives from—

19 “(I) State, local, tribal, and terri-
20 torial entities, including from—

21 “(aa) law enforcement;

22 “(bb) fire services;

23 “(cc) emergency medical
24 services;

1 “(dd) emergency manage-
2 ment; and

3 “(ee) public health entities;
4 “(II) universities and academia;
5 and

6 “(III) nonprofit disaster relief or-
7 ganizations.

8 “(4) TERM LIMITS.—The chairperson shall es-
9 tablish term limits for individuals appointed to the
10 Group under paragraph (3).

11 “(d) CONSULTATION WITH NON-MEMBERS.—To the
12 extent practicable, the Group shall work with entities in
13 the public and private sectors to carry out subsection (b).

14 “(e) MEETINGS.—

15 “(1) INITIAL MEETING.—Not later than 90
16 days after the date of the enactment of this section,
17 the Group shall hold its initial meeting.

18 “(2) SUBSEQUENT MEETINGS.—After the initial
19 meeting under paragraph (1), the Group shall
20 meet—

21 “(A) at the call of the chairperson; and

22 “(B) not less frequently than twice each
23 year.

24 “(3) VIRTUAL MEETINGS.—Each meeting of the
25 Group may be held virtually.

1 “(f) REPORTS.—During each year in which the
2 Group meets, the Group shall submit to the Committee
3 on Homeland Security and the Committee on Transpor-
4 tation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives
5 and the Committee on Homeland Security and Govern-
6 mental Affairs of the Senate a report that includes the
7 following:

8 “(1) A review and analysis of current and
9 emerging social media technologies being used to
10 support preparedness, response, and recovery activi-
11 ties related to acts of terrorism, natural disasters,
12 and other emergencies.

13 “(2) A review of best practices and lessons
14 learned on the use of social media technologies dur-
15 ing the response to acts of terrorism, natural disas-
16 ters, and other emergencies that occurred during the
17 period covered by the report at issue.

18 “(3) Recommendations to improve the Depart-
19 ment’s use of social media technologies for emer-
20 gency management purposes.

21 “(4) Recommendations to improve public
22 awareness of the type of information disseminated
23 through social media technologies, and how to access
24 such information, during acts of terrorism, natural
25 disasters, and other emergencies.

1 “(5) A review of available training for Federal,
2 State, local, tribal, and territorial officials on the use
3 of social media technologies in response to acts of
4 terrorism, natural disasters, and other emergencies.

5 “(6) A review of coordination efforts with the
6 private sector to discuss and resolve legal, oper-
7 ational, technical, privacy, and security concerns.

8 “(g) DURATION OF GROUP.—

9 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Group shall terminate
10 on the date that is five years after the date of the
11 enactment of this section unless the chairperson re-
12 news the Group for a successive five-year period be-
13 fore the date on which the Group would otherwise
14 terminate by submitting to the Committee on Home-
15 land Security and Governmental Affairs of the Sen-
16 ate and the Committee on Homeland Security and
17 the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure
18 of the House of Representatives a certification that
19 the continued existence of the Group is necessary to
20 fulfill the purpose described in subsection (b).

21 “(2) CONTINUED RENEWAL.—The chairperson
22 may continue to renew the Group for successive five-
23 year periods by submitting a certification in accord-
24 ance with paragraph (1) before the date on which
25 the Group would otherwise terminate.”.

1 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of contents
2 in section 1(b) of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 is
3 amended by inserting after the item relating to section
4 317 the following new item:

“Sec. 318. Social media working group.”.

5 **SEC. 208. STATEWIDE INTEROPERABILITY COORDINATORS.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Paragraph (2) of section 2004(b)
7 of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 605(b))
8 is amended by—

9 (1) redesignating subparagraphs (B) and (C) as
10 subparagraphs (C) and (D), respectively; and

11 (2) inserting after subparagraph (A) the fol-
12 lowing new subparagraph:

13 “(B)(i) certification that the Governor of
14 the State has designated a Statewide Interoper-
15 ability Coordinator, including identification in
16 such certification of the individual so des-
17 ignated, who shall be responsible for—

18 “(I) coordinating the daily operations
19 of the State’s interoperability efforts;

20 “(II) coordinating State interoper-
21 ability and communications projects and
22 grant applications for such projects;

23 “(III) establishing and maintaining
24 working groups to develop and implement
25 key interoperability initiatives; and

1 “(IV) coordinating and updating, as
2 necessary, a Statewide Communications
3 Interoperability Plan that specifies the cur-
4 rent status of State efforts to enhance
5 communications interoperability within the
6 State, including progress, modifications, or
7 setbacks, and future goals for communica-
8 tions interoperability among emergency re-
9 sponse agencies in the State; or

10 “(ii) if a Statewide Interoperability Coordi-
11 nator has not been designated in accordance
12 with clause (i)—

13 “(I) certification that the State is per-
14 forming in another manner the functions
15 described in subclauses (I) through (IV) of
16 such clause; and

17 “(II) identification in such certifi-
18 cation of an individual who has been des-
19 ignated by the State as the primary point
20 of contact for performance of such func-
21 tions;”.

22 (b) LIMITATION ON APPLICATION.—The amendment
23 made by subsection (a) shall not apply with respect to any
24 grant for which an application was submitted under the
25 State Homeland Security Grant Program under section

1 2004 of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C.
2 605) before the date of the enactment of this section.

3 **SEC. 209. COMMUNICATIONS TRAINING.**

4 The Under Secretary for Management of the Depart-
5 ment of Homeland Security, in coordination with the ap-
6 propriate component heads, shall develop a mechanism,
7 consistent with the strategy required pursuant to the De-
8 partment of Homeland Security Interoperable Commu-
9 nications Act (Public Law 114–29), to verify that radio
10 users within the Department receive training on the use
11 of the radio systems of such components, including inter-
12 agency radio use protocols.

13 **TITLE III—MEDICAL**
14 **PREPAREDNESS**

15 **SEC. 301. PRE-EVENT ANTHRAX VACCINATION PROGRAM**
16 **FOR EMERGENCY RESPONSE PROVIDERS.**

17 (a) ANTHRAX PREPAREDNESS.—

18 (1) IN GENERAL.—Title V of the Homeland Se-
19 curity Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 311 et seq.) is amend-
20 ed by adding at the end the following new section:

21 **“SEC. 526. ANTHRAX PREPAREDNESS.**

22 “(a) PRE-EVENT ANTHRAX VACCINATION PROGRAM
23 FOR EMERGENCY RESPONSE PROVIDERS.—For the pur-
24 pose of domestic preparedness for and collective response
25 to terrorism, the Secretary, in coordination with the Sec-

1 retary of Health and Human Services, shall establish a
2 program to provide anthrax vaccines from the strategic
3 national stockpile under section 319F–2(a) of the Public
4 Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 247d–6b(a)) that will be
5 nearing the end of their labeled dates of use at the time
6 such vaccines are to be administered to emergency re-
7 sponse providers who are at high risk of exposure to an-
8 thrax and who voluntarily consent to such administration,
9 and shall—

10 “(1) establish any necessary logistical and
11 tracking systems to facilitate making such vaccines
12 so available;

13 “(2) distribute disclosures regarding associated
14 benefits and risks to end users; and

15 “(3) conduct outreach to educate emergency re-
16 sponse providers about the voluntary program.

17 “(b) THREAT ASSESSMENT.—The Secretary shall—

18 “(1) support homeland security-focused risk
19 analysis and risk assessments of the threats posed
20 by anthrax from an act of terror;

21 “(2) leverage existing and emerging homeland
22 security intelligence capabilities and structures to
23 enhance prevention, protection, response, and recov-
24 ery efforts with respect to an anthrax terror attack;
25 and

1 “(3) share information and provide tailored an-
2 alytical support on threats posed by anthrax to
3 State, local, and tribal authorities, as well as other
4 national biosecurity and biodefense stakeholders.”.

5 (2) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of con-
6 tents in section 1(b) of the Homeland Security Act
7 of 2002 is amended by inserting at the end of the
8 items relating to title V the following new item:

“Sec. 526. Anthrax preparedness.”.

9 (b) PILOT PROGRAM.—

10 (1) IN GENERAL.—In carrying out the pre-
11 event vaccination program authorized in subsection
12 (a) of section 526 of the Homeland Security Act of
13 2002, as added by subsection (a) of this section, the
14 Secretary of Homeland Security, in coordination
15 with the Secretary of Health and Human Services,
16 shall carry out a pilot program to provide anthrax
17 vaccines to emergency response providers as so au-
18 thorized. The duration of the pilot program shall be
19 24 months from the date the initial vaccines are ad-
20 ministered to participants.

21 (2) PRELIMINARY REQUIREMENTS.—Prior to
22 implementing the pilot program under paragraph
23 (1), the Secretary of Homeland Security shall—

24 (A) establish a communication platform for
25 such pilot program;

1 (B) establish education and training mod-
2 ules for such pilot program;

3 (C) conduct economic analysis of such pilot
4 program; and

5 (D) create a logistical platform for the an-
6 thrax vaccine request process under such pilot
7 program.

8 (3) LOCATION.—In carrying out the pilot pro-
9 gram under paragraph (1), the Secretary of Home-
10 land Security shall select emergency response pro-
11 viders based in at least two States for participation
12 in such pilot program.

13 (4) DISTRIBUTION OF INFORMATION.—The
14 Secretary of Homeland Security shall provide to
15 each emergency response provider who participates
16 in the pilot program under paragraph (1) disclosures
17 and educational materials regarding the associated
18 benefits and risks of any vaccine provided under
19 such pilot program and of exposure to anthrax.

20 (5) REPORT.—Not later than one year after the
21 date of the enactment of this Act and annually
22 thereafter until one year after the completion of the
23 pilot program under paragraph (1), the Secretary of
24 Homeland Security shall submit to the Committee
25 on Homeland Security and the Committee on En-

1 ergy and Commerce of the House of Representatives
2 and the Committee on Homeland Security and Gov-
3 ernmental Affairs of the Senate a report on the
4 progress and results of such pilot program, including
5 the percentage of eligible emergency response pro-
6 viders, as determined by each pilot location, that vol-
7 unteer to participate, the degree to which partici-
8 pants obtain necessary vaccinations, as appropriate,
9 and recommendations to improve initial and recur-
10 rent participation in such pilot program. Each such
11 report shall include a discussion of plans to continue
12 such pilot program to provide vaccines to emergency
13 response providers under subsection (a) of section
14 526 of the Homeland Security Act of 2002, as
15 added by subsection (a) of this section.

16 (6) DEADLINE FOR IMPLEMENTATION.—The
17 Secretary of Homeland Security shall begin imple-
18 menting the pilot program under paragraph (1) by
19 not later than the date that is one year after the
20 date of the enactment of this Act.

21 **SEC. 302. CHIEF MEDICAL OFFICER.**

22 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (c) of section 516 of
23 the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 321e) is
24 amended—

1 (1) in the matter preceding paragraph (1), by
2 inserting “and shall establish medical and human,
3 animal, and occupational health exposure policy,
4 guidance, strategies, and initiatives,” before “includ-
5 ing—”;

6 (2) in paragraph (2), by inserting before the
7 semicolon at the end the following: “, including co-
8 ordinating the Department’s policy, strategy and
9 preparedness for pandemics and emerging infectious
10 diseases”;

11 (3) in paragraph (5), by inserting “emergency
12 medical services and medical first responder stake-
13 holders,” after “the medical community”;

14 (4) in paragraph (6), by striking “and” at the
15 end; and

16 (5) by adding after paragraph (7) the following
17 new paragraphs:

18 “(8) ensuring that the workforce of the Depart-
19 ment has evidence-based policy, standards, require-
20 ments, and metrics for occupational health and oper-
21 ational medicine programs;

22 “(9) directing and maintaining a coordinated
23 system for medical support for the Department’s
24 operational activities;

1 “(10) providing oversight of the Department’s
2 medical programs and providers, including—

3 “(A) reviewing and maintaining
4 verification of the accreditation of the Depart-
5 ment’s health provider workforce;

6 “(B) developing quality assurance and clin-
7 ical policy, requirements, standards, and
8 metrics for all medical and health activities of
9 the Department;

10 “(C) providing oversight of medical records
11 systems for employees and individuals in the
12 Department’s care and custody; and

13 “(D) providing medical direction for emer-
14 gency medical services activities of the Depart-
15 ment; and

16 “(11) as established under section 527, main-
17 taining a medical countermeasures stockpile and dis-
18 pensing system, as necessary, to facilitate personnel
19 readiness, and protection for working animals, em-
20 ployees, and individuals in the Department’s care
21 and custody in the event of a chemical, biological,
22 radiological, nuclear, or explosives attack, naturally
23 occurring disease outbreak, or pandemic.”.

24 (b) MEDICAL LIAISONS.—The Chief Medical Officer
25 of the Department of Homeland Security may provide

1 medical liaisons to the components of the Department to
2 provide subject matter expertise on medical and public
3 health issues and a direct link to the Chief Medical Offi-
4 cer. Such expertise may include the following:

5 (1) Providing guidance on health and medical
6 aspects of policy, planning, operations, and work-
7 force health protection.

8 (2) Identifying and resolving component med-
9 ical issues.

10 (3) Supporting the development and alignment
11 of medical and health systems.

12 (4) Identifying common gaps in medical and
13 health standards, policy, and guidance, and enter-
14 prise solutions to bridge such gaps.

15 **SEC. 303. MEDICAL COUNTERMEASURES PROGRAM.**

16 (a) IN GENERAL.—Title V of the Homeland Security
17 Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 311 et seq.), as amended by section
18 301 of this Act, is further amended by adding at the end
19 the following new section:

20 **“SEC. 527. MEDICAL COUNTERMEASURES.**

21 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall establish a
22 medical countermeasures program to facilitate personnel
23 readiness, and protection for working animals, employees,
24 and individuals in the Department’s care and custody, in
25 the event of a chemical, biological, radiological, nuclear,

1 or explosives attack, naturally occurring disease outbreak,
2 or pandemic, and to support Department mission con-
3 tinuity.

4 “(b) OVERSIGHT.—The Chief Medical Officer, estab-
5 lished under section 516, shall provide programmatic over-
6 sight of the medical countermeasures program established
7 pursuant to subsection (a), and shall—

8 “(1) develop Department-wide standards for
9 medical countermeasure storage, security, dis-
10 pensing, and documentation;

11 “(2) maintain a stockpile of medical counter-
12 measures, including antibiotics, antivirals, and radio-
13 logical countermeasures, as appropriate;

14 “(3) preposition appropriate medical counter-
15 measures in strategic locations nationwide, based on
16 threat and employee density, in accordance with ap-
17 plicable Federal statutes and regulations;

18 “(4) provide oversight and guidance on dis-
19 pensing of stockpiled medical countermeasures;

20 “(5) ensure rapid deployment and dispensing of
21 medical countermeasures in a chemical, biological,
22 radiological, nuclear, or explosives attack, naturally
23 occurring disease outbreak, or pandemic;

24 “(6) provide training to Department employees
25 on medical countermeasure dispensing; and

1 “(7) support dispensing exercises.

2 “(c) MEDICAL COUNTERMEASURES WORKING
3 GROUP.—The Chief Medical Officer shall establish a med-
4 ical countermeasures working group comprised of rep-
5 resentatives from appropriate components and offices of
6 the Department to ensure that medical countermeasures
7 standards are maintained and guidance is consistent.

8 “(d) MEDICAL COUNTERMEASURES MANAGE-
9 MENT.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the en-
10 actment of this section, the Chief Medical Officer shall de-
11 velop and submit to the Secretary an integrated logistics
12 support plan for medical countermeasures, including—

13 “(1) a methodology for determining the ideal
14 types and quantities of medical countermeasures to
15 stockpile and how frequently such methodology shall
16 be reevaluated;

17 “(2) a replenishment plan; and

18 “(3) inventory tracking, reporting, and rec-
19 onciliation procedures for existing stockpiles and
20 new medical countermeasure purchases.

21 “(e) STOCKPILE ELEMENTS.—In determining the
22 types and quantities of medical countermeasures to stock-
23 pile under subsection (d), the Chief Medical Officer shall
24 utilize, if available—

1 “(1) Department chemical, biological, radio-
2 logical, and nuclear risk assessments; and

3 “(2) Centers for Disease Control and Preven-
4 tion guidance on medical countermeasures.

5 “(f) REPORT.—No later than 180 days after the date
6 of the enactment of this section, the Chief Medical Officer
7 shall report to the Committee on Homeland Security of
8 the House of Representatives and the Committee on
9 Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs of the Sen-
10 ate on progress in achieving the requirements of this sec-
11 tion.”.

12 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of contents
13 in section 1(b) of the Homeland Security Act of 2002, as
14 amended by section 301 of this Act, is further amended
15 by inserting at the end of the items relating to title V
16 the following new item:

“Sec. 527. Medical countermeasures.”.

17 **TITLE IV—MANAGEMENT**

18 **SEC. 401. MISSION SUPPORT.**

19 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Administrator of the
20 Federal Emergency Management Agency shall designate
21 an individual to serve as the chief management official and
22 principal advisor to the Administrator on matters related
23 to the management of the Federal Emergency Manage-
24 ment Agency, including management integration in sup-
25 port of emergency management operations and programs.

1 (b) MISSION AND RESPONSIBILITIES.—The Adminis-
2 trator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency,
3 acting through the official designated pursuant to sub-
4 section (a), shall be responsible for the management and
5 administration of the Federal Emergency Management
6 Agency, including with respect to the following:

7 (1) Procurement.

8 (2) Human resources and personnel.

9 (3) Information technology and communications
10 systems.

11 (4) Real property investment and planning, fa-
12 cilities, accountable personal property (including
13 fleet and other material resources), records and dis-
14 closure, privacy, safety and health, and sustain-
15 ability and environmental management.

16 (5) Security for personnel, information tech-
17 nology and communications systems, facilities, prop-
18 erty, equipment, and other material resources.

19 (6) Any other management duties that the Ad-
20 ministrator may designate.

21 (c) REPORT.—Not later than 270 days after the date
22 of the enactment of this Act, the Administrator of the
23 Federal Emergency Management Agency shall submit to
24 the Committee on Homeland Security and the Committee
25 on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of

1 Representatives and the Committee on Homeland Security
2 and Governmental Affairs of the Senate a report that in-
3 cludes—

4 (1) a review of financial, human capital, infor-
5 mation technology, real property planning, and ac-
6 quisition management of headquarters and all re-
7 gional offices of the Federal Emergency Manage-
8 ment Agency; and

9 (2) a strategy for capturing financial, human
10 capital, information technology, real property plan-
11 ning, and acquisition data.

12 **SEC. 402. SYSTEMS MODERNIZATION.**

13 Not later than 120 days after the date of the enact-
14 ment of this Act, the Administrator of the Federal Emer-
15 gency Management Agency shall submit to the Committee
16 on Homeland Security and the Committee on Transpor-
17 tation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives
18 and the Committee on Homeland Security and Govern-
19 mental Affairs of the Senate a report on the Federal
20 Emergency Management Agency’s efforts to modernize its
21 grants and financial information technology systems, in-
22 cluding the following:

23 (1) A summary of all previous efforts to mod-
24 ernize such systems.

1 (2) An assessment of long term cost savings
2 and efficiencies gained through such modernization
3 effort.

4 (3) A capability needs assessment.

5 (4) Estimated quarterly costs.

6 (5) Estimated acquisition life cycle dates, in-
7 cluding acquisition decision events.

8 **SEC. 403. STRATEGIC HUMAN CAPITAL PLAN.**

9 Subsection (c) of section 10107 of title 5, United
10 States Code, is amended by striking “2007” and inserting
11 “2016”.

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