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H. R. 5911

To require the Secretary of Homeland Security and Attorney General to submit a report on the Countering Violent Extremism Task Force, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. YOUNG of Indiana (for himself, Mr. DELANEY, and Mr. HECK of Nevada) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Homeland Security, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, 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.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Countering Violent Ex-
5 tremism Task Force Oversight Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. REPORT ON COUNTERING VIOLENT EXTREMISM**
2 **TASK FORCE.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the
4 date of the enactment of this Act and annually thereafter,
5 the Secretary of Homeland Security and the Attorney
6 General shall jointly submit to the appropriate congress-
7 sional committees a report on the Countering Violent Ex-
8 tremism Task Force.

9 (b) CONTENTS.—Each report required under sub-
10 section (a) shall include an examination of the following:

11 (1) How the Countering Violent Extremism
12 Task Force plans and coordinates countering violent
13 extremism programs of the Federal Government.

14 (2) How the Countering Violent Extremism
15 Task Force evaluates the effectiveness of countering
16 violent extremism programs of the Federal Govern-
17 ment.

18 (3) How the Countering Violent Extremism
19 Task Force plans and coordinates Federal programs
20 to combat violent extremism that specifically address
21 and counter the threat of radicalization of United
22 States citizens or lawful permanent residents by for-
23 eign terrorists or foreign terrorist organizations
24 (designated pursuant to section 219 of the Immigra-
25 tion and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1189)) through
26 the Internet, social media, or other platforms.

1 (4) How the Countering Violent Extremism
2 Task Force plans and coordinates countering violent
3 extremism programs of the Federal Government that
4 specifically address and counter the threat of “lone
5 wolf” acts of terrorism conducted by United States
6 citizens or lawful permanent residents who have
7 been radicalized.

8 (5) The levels of funding, personnel, and de-
9 partment or agency resources that are devoted to
10 the Countering Violent Extremism Task Force.

11 (6) Problems and difficulties associated with
12 the development, implementation, and coordination
13 of countering violent extremism programs of the
14 Federal Government.

15 (7) A comparison of the Countering Violent Ex-
16 tremism Task Force with similar organizations and
17 programs employed by United States allies and part-
18 ners.

19 (8) Proposed policy recommendations for devel-
20 oping coordinated, coherent, cohesive whole-govern-
21 ment countering violent extremism programs of the
22 Federal Government.

23 (c) FORM.—The report required under subsection (a)
24 shall be submitted in unclassified form but may include

1 a classified annex if the Secretary of Homeland Security
2 and Attorney General determine that such is appropriate.

3 (d) CLASSIFIED BRIEFINGS.—The Secretary of
4 Homeland Security and the Attorney General may provide
5 to the appropriate congressional committees classified
6 briefings on the contents of the report required under sub-
7 section (a).

8 (e) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES DE-
9 FINED.—In this section, the term “appropriate congress-
10 sional committees” means—

11 (1) in the House of Representatives—

12 (A) the Permanent Select Committee on
13 Intelligence;

14 (B) the Committee on Foreign Affairs;

15 (C) the Committee on Homeland Security;

16 and

17 (D) the Committee on the Judiciary; and

18 (2) in the Senate—

19 (A) the Select Committee on Intelligence;

20 (B) the Committee on Foreign Relations;

21 (C) the Committee on Homeland Security

22 and Governmental Affairs; and

23 (D) the Committee on the Judiciary.

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