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To ensure U.S. Customs and Border Protection officers, agents, and other personnel have adequate synthetic opioid detection equipment, that the Department of Homeland Security has a process to update synthetic opioid detection capability, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

FEBRUARY 4, 2020

Mr. CORNYN (for himself and Ms. ROSEN) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

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 “DHS Opioid Detection
5 Resilience Act of 2020”.

1 **SEC. 2. STRATEGY TO ENSURE DETECTION OF ALL OPIOID**
2 **PURITY LEVELS AT PORTS OF ENTRY.**

3 Not later than 180 days after the date of the enact-
4 ment of this Act, the Commissioner of U.S. Customs and
5 Border Protection (referred to in this section as “CBP”)
6 shall—

7 (1) implement a strategy to ensure deployed
8 chemical screening devices are able to identify in an
9 operational environment narcotics at purity levels
10 less than or equal to 10 percent, or provide directors
11 of ports of entry with an alternate method for iden-
12 tifying narcotics at lower purity levels; and

13 (2) require testing of any new chemical screen-
14 ing devices to understand the abilities and limita-
15 tions of such devices relating to identifying narcotics
16 at various purity levels before CBP commits to the
17 acquisition of such devices.

18 **SEC. 3. PLAN TO ENSURE OPIOID DETECTION EQUIPMENT**
19 **RESILIENCY.**

20 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Not later than 180 days after the
21 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Home-
22 land Security shall implement a plan for the long-term de-
23 velopment of a centralized spectral database for chemical
24 screening devices.

25 (b) **REQUIREMENTS.**—The plan required under sub-
26 section (a) shall address the following:

1 (1) How newly identified spectra will be col-
2 lected, stored, and distributed to such devices in
3 their operational environment, including at ports of
4 entry.

5 (2) Identification of parties responsible for up-
6 dates and maintenance of the centralized spectral
7 database.

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