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Committee on Homeland Security
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COMMITTEE ACTION

The Committee on Homeland Security met, pursuant to notice, in open markup session, a quorum being present, on Tuesday, May 20, 2008, in 311 Cannon House Office Building to consider **H.R. 1333**, To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to direct the Secretary to enter into an agreement with the Secretary of the Air Force to use Civil Air Patrol personnel and resources to support homeland security missions; **H.R. 2631**, To strengthen efforts in the Department of Homeland Security to develop nuclear forensics capabilities to permit attribution of the source of nuclear material; **H.R. 4179**, To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish an appeal and redress process for individuals wrongly delayed or prohibited from boarding a flight, and for other purposes; **H.R. 4749**, To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish the Office for Bombing Prevention, to address terrorist explosive threats, and for other purposes; **H.R. 5909**, To amend the Aviation and Transportation Security Act to prohibit advance notice to certain individuals, including security screeners, of covert testing of security screening procedures for the purpose of enhancing transportation security at airports, and for other purposes; **H.R. 5982**, To direct the Secretary of Homeland Security, for purposes of transportation security, to conduct a study on how airports can transition to uniform, standards-based, and interoperable biometric identifier systems for airport workers with unescorted access to secure or sterile areas of an airport, and for other purposes; and **H. Res. 1150**, Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the Transportation Security Administration should, in accordance with the congressional mandate provided for in the Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007, enhance security against terrorist attack and other security threats to our Nation's rail and mass transit lines.

The Committee took the following actions:

A unanimous consent request by Mr. Thompson to consider H.R. 1333, H.R. 2631, H.R. 4179, H.R. 5909, and H.R. 5982; adopt the Amendments in the Nature of a Substitute as listed on the Committee roster; adopt the measures as so amended; and order the measures reported to the House, as amended; was not objected to.

H.R. 1333, To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to direct the Secretary to enter into an agreement with the Secretary of the Air Force to use Civil Air Patrol personnel and resources

to support homeland security missions; was ordered to be reported to the House with a favorable recommendation, as amended, by the unanimous consent agreement listed above.

The Committee adopted the measure, amended, by the unanimous consent agreement listed above.

The following amendments were offered:

An Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute offered by Mr. Dent (#1); was AGREED TO by the unanimous consent agreement listed above.

A motion by Mr. Thompson to authorize Committee Staff to make any technical and conforming changes to H.R. 1333, was agreed to.

A unanimous consent request by Ms. Lowey to authorize the Chairman to offer such motions as may be necessary in the House to go to Conference with the Senate on H.R. 1333, or on a similar Senate bill; was not objected to.

A motion by Mr. King that pursuant to Rule XIII clause 2(c) Members may have two days in which to file Minority and additional views on H.R. 1333, was agreed to.

H.R. 2631, To strengthen efforts in the Department of Homeland Security to develop nuclear forensics capabilities to permit attribution of the source of nuclear material; was ordered to be reported to the House with a favorable recommendation, as amended, by the unanimous consent agreement listed above.

The Committee adopted the measure, amended, by the unanimous consent agreement listed above.

The following amendments were offered:

An Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute offered by Mr. Langevin (#1); was AGREED TO by the unanimous consent agreement listed above.

A motion by Mr. Thompson to authorize Committee Staff to make any technical and conforming changes to H.R. 2631, was agreed to.

A unanimous consent request by Ms. Lowey to authorize the Chairman to offer such motions as may be necessary in the House to go to Conference with the Senate on H.R. 2631, or on a similar Senate bill; was not objected to.

A motion by Mr. King that pursuant to Rule XIII clause 2(c) Members may have two days in which to file Minority and additional views on H.R. 2631, was agreed to.

H.R. 4179, To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish an appeal and redress process for individuals wrongly delayed or prohibited from boarding a flight, and for other purposes; was ordered to be reported to the House with a favorable recommendation, as amended, by the unanimous consent agreement listed above.

The Committee adopted the measure, amended, by the unanimous consent agreement listed above.

The following amendments were offered:

An Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute offered by Ms. Clarke (#1); was AGREED TO by the unanimous consent agreement listed above.

A motion by Mr. Thompson to authorize Committee Staff to make any technical and conforming changes to H.R. 4179, was not objected to.

A unanimous consent request by Ms. Lowey to authorize the Chairman to offer such motions as may be necessary in the House to go to Conference with the Senate on H.R. 4179, or on a similar Senate bill; was agreed to.

A motion by Mr. King that pursuant to Rule XIII clause 2(c) Members may have two days in which to file Minority and additional views on H.R. 4179, was agreed to.

H.R. 4749, To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish the Office for Bombing Prevention, to address terrorist explosive threats, and for other purposes; was ordered to be reported to the House with a favorable recommendation, as amended, by voice vote.

The Committee adopted the measure, amended, by voice vote.

The following amendments were offered:

An amendment offered by Mr. Green (#1); on page 5, strike “and” after the semicolon at line 12, strike the period at line 18 and insert “; and”, and after line 18 insert a new subsection (10); was AGREED TO by voice vote.

An en bloc amendment offered by Mr. Rogers (#2); at the end of proposed section 210F,

add a new subsection (d) entitled “Enhancement of Explosives Detection Canine Resources and Capabilities.” and to add at the end a new section entitled “GAO Study of Explosives Detection Canine Teams”; was AGREED TO by voice vote.

An amendment offered by Ms. Jackson-Lee (#3); add at the end a new section entitled “Report on Canine Procurement Activities.”; was AGREED TO by voice vote.

An amendment offered by Mr. Thompson (#4); page 5, after line 18, insert a new subsection (c) entitled “Limitation on Statutory Construction.”, and making conforming changes; was AGREED TO by voice vote.

A motion request by Mr. Thompson to authorize Committee Staff to make any technical and conforming changes to H.R. 4749, was agreed to.

A unanimous consent request by Ms. Lowey to authorize the Chairman to offer such motions as may be necessary in the House to go to Conference with the Senate on H.R. 4749, or on a similar Senate bill; was not objected to.

A motion by Mr. Rogers that pursuant to Rule XIII clause 2(c) Members may have two days in which to file Minority and additional views on H.R. 4749, was agreed to.

H.R. 5909, To amend the Aviation and Transportation Security Act to prohibit advance notice to certain individuals, including security screeners, of covert testing of security screening procedures for the purpose of enhancing transportation security at airports, and for other purposes; was ordered to be reported to the House with a favorable recommendation, as amended, by the unanimous consent agreement listed above.

The Committee adopted the measure, amended, by the unanimous consent agreement listed above.

The following amendments were offered:

An Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute offered by Mrs. Lowey (#1); was AGREED TO by the unanimous consent agreement listed above.

A motion by Mr. Thompson to authorize Committee Staff to make any technical and conforming changes to H.R. 5909, was agreed to.

A unanimous consent request by Ms. Lowey to authorize the Chairman to offer such motions as may be necessary in the House to go to Conference with the Senate on H.R. 5909, or on a similar Senate bill; was not objected to.

A motion by Mr. King that pursuant to Rule XIII clause 2(c) Members may have two days in which to file Minority and additional views on H.R. 5909 , was agreed to.

H.R. 5982, To direct the Secretary of Homeland Security, for purposes of transportation security, to conduct a study on how airports can transition to uniform, standards-based, and interoperable biometric identifier systems for airport workers with unescorted access to secure or sterile areas of an airport, and for other purposes; was ordered to be reported to the House with a favorable recommendation, as amended, by the unanimous consent agreement listed above.

The Committee adopted the measure, amended, by the unanimous consent agreement listed above.

The following amendments were offered:

An Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute offered by Mr. Thompson (#1); was AGREED TO by the unanimous consent agreement listed above.

A motion by Mr. Thompson to authorize Committee Staff to make any technical and conforming changes to H.R. 5982, was agreed to.

A unanimous consent request by Ms. Lowey to authorize the Chairman to offer such motions as may be necessary in the House to go to Conference with the Senate on H.R. 5982, or on a similar Senate bill; was not objected to.

A motion by Mr. King that pursuant to Rule XIII clause 2(c) Members may have two days in which to file Minority and additional views on H.R. 5982, was agreed to.

H. Res. 1150, Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the Transportation Security Administration should, in accordance with the congressional mandate provided for in the Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007, enhance security against terrorist attack and other security threats to our Nation's rail and mass transit lines; was ordered to be reported to the House with a favorable recommendation, as amended, by voice vote.

The Committee adopted the measure, amended, by voice vote.

The following amendments were offered:

An amendment offered by Mr. Rogers (#1); on page 3, line 3, strike “lines;” and insert “line, with particular attention to the application of its training standards and the establishment of a reliable source of domestically-bred canines.” was AGREED TO by voice vote.

An amendment offered by Mr. Etheridge (#2); inserting clauses relating to school transportation systems; was AGREED TO by voice vote.

A motion by Mr. Thompson to authorize Committee Staff to make any technical and conforming changes to H. Res. 1150, was agreed to.

A motion by Mr. Rogers that pursuant to Rule XIII clause 2(c) Members may have two days in which to file Minority and additional views on H. Res. 1150, was agreed to.

