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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 Wednesday, March 28, 2007, in 311 Cannon House Office Building to consider H.R. 1684, to authorize appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for fiscal year 2008, and for other purposes. The Committee took the following actions:

H.R. 1684, to authorize appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for fiscal year 2008, and for other purposes.; was ordered favorably reported to the House, amended, by a record vote of 26 yeas and 0 nays (Roll Call Vote No. 11).

The Committee adopted the bill, as amended, by voice vote.

The following amendments were offered:

An en bloc amendment offered by Mr. Thompson (#1) consisting of: an amendment by Mr. Thompson making technical corrections, establishing a Student Exchange Visitor Program, and establishing the REAL ID Grant Program; an amendment by Mr. Etheridge, on page 6, line 11 insert a new subsection “(b) Ensuring consideration of the needs of children”; and “(c) report to Congress”; an amendment by Mr. Carney, at the end of title II add a new section entitled “Sec. \_\_\_\_ Sense of Congress Regarding Consolidation of Department Headquarters.”; an amendment by Mr. Etheridge, on page 38, after line 25, insert a new subsection entitled “(e) Use of Domestic Textiles.” and Page 39, line 1, strike “(e)” and insert “(f).”; an amendment by Mr. McCarthy, at the end of title IV add a new section entitled “Sec. \_\_\_\_ Prohibition on Award of Contracts and Grants to Educational Institutions not Supporting Coast Guard Efforts.”; an amendment by Ms. Sanchez, in section 505, in the matter preceding paragraph (1), strike “in order to address” and insert “(a) In General.—In order to address”. ; in section 505(a), add a new paragraph (5).; and in section 505, add at the end a new subsection entitled “(b) Report.”; an amendment by Ms. Jackson-Lee, on page 56, after line 2, insert a new section entitled “Sec. \_\_\_\_ Citizen Corps.”; an amendment by Mr. McCaul, at the end of title VI (page 80, before line 14) add a new section entitled “Sec.\_\_\_\_ National Bio and Agro-Defense Facility.”; an amendment

by Mr. Bilirakis, at the end of title IX, insert a new section entitled "Sec.\_\_\_\_ Biometric Identification of Unauthorized Aliens."; an amendment by Mr. Etheridge, at the end of title XI, add a new section entitled "Sec.\_\_\_\_. Report Regarding Department of Homeland Security Implementation of Comptroller General and Inspector General Recommendations Regarding Protection of Agriculture."; an amendment by Mr. Rogers, at the end of title XI add a new section entitled "Sec.\_\_\_\_. Strengthening Line of Authority for Legislative, Congressional, and Intergovernmental Affairs."; an amendment by Mr. Jindal, at the end of title XI add a new section entitled "Sec.\_\_\_\_. Report Regarding Levee System."; an amendment by Mr. Lungren, to insert a new section entitled "Sec. 1114. Report on Force Multiplier Program."; an amendment by Mr. Perlmutter, to insert a new section entitled "Sec.\_\_\_\_. Eligibility of State Judicial Facilities for State Homeland Security Grants."; an amendment by Mr. Dent, add a new section entitled "Sec. 1114. Authorization of Homeland Security Functions of the United States Secret Service."; and an amendment by Mr. Cuellar, on page 106, line 3-4, strike "comparable to" and insert "less than".; was AGREED TO by voice vote.

An amendment offered by Mr. Perlmutter (#2), to insert at the end of title IV a new section "Sec. 406. Prohibition on Use of Contracts That Move Off-Shore."; was WITHDRAWN by unanimous consent.

A unanimous consent request by Mr. Perlmutter to withdraw his amendment, was not objected to.

An amendment offered by Ms. Clarke (#3), in section 901, add a new subsection entitled "(d) Prohibition on Transfer."; was AGREED TO by voice vote.

An amendment offered by Ms. Sanchez (#4) to strike section 903(b)(2)(B).; was AGREED TO by voice vote.

An amendment offered by Mr. Reichert (#5) to insert a new section entitled "Sec. \_\_\_\_ . Requirement on Visa Waiver Program Countries to Enter Into Homeland Security Information Sharing Agreement."; was WITHDRAWN by unanimous consent.

A unanimous consent request by Mr. Reichert to withdraw his amendment, was not objected to.

An amendment offered by Mr. McCaul (#6) to insert at the end of title IX a new section "Sec. \_\_\_\_ . Task Force to Reform Border Patrol Policies."; was NOT AGREED TO by a record vote of 11 yeas and 15 nays (Roll Call Vote No. 6).

An amendment offered by Mr. Dent (#7) to insert at the end of title IX a new section entitled "Sec.\_\_\_\_. Passenger and Crew Manifests for Vessels,

Vehicles, and Aircraft Arriving In or Departing From the United States.”; was WITHDRAWN by unanimous consent.

A unanimous consent request by Mr. Dent to withdraw his amendment, was not objected to.

An amendment offered by Mr. Dent (#8) to insert at the end of title IX a new section entitled "Sec. \_\_\_\_ Automated Targeting Systems for Persons Entering or Departing the United States.”; was NOT AGREED TO by a record vote of 14 yeas and 16 nays (Roll Call Vote No. 7).

An amendment offered by Mr. Davis of Tennessee (#9) to insert at the end of title IX a new section entitled "Sec. \_\_\_\_ Border Security and Immigration Enforcement of State and Local Law Enforcement Personnel.”; was NOT AGREED TO by a record vote of 15 yeas and 15 nays (Roll Call Vote No. 8).

An amendment offered by Mr. Reichert (#10) to add a new section entitled "Sec. \_\_\_\_ Use of Grants for Analysts.”; was WITHDRAWN by unanimous consent.

A unanimous consent request by Mr. Reichert to withdraw his amendment, was not objected to.

An amendment offered by Ms. Brown-Waite (#11) to add a new section entitled “Sec.\_\_\_\_. Data Sharing.”; was AGREED To by voice vote.

An amendment offered by Ms. Norton (#12) to insert a new section entitled “Sec. \_\_\_\_ Report on Source of Shortfalls at Federal Protective Services.”; was AGREED TO by a record vote of 17 yeas and 13 nays (Roll Call Vote No. 9).

An amendment offered by Mr. Dent (#13) to insert a new section entitled “Sec.\_\_\_\_. Civil Air Patrol Support of Homeland Security Missions.”; was WITHDRAWN by unanimous consent.

A unanimous consent request by Mr. Dent to withdraw his amendment, was not objected to.

An amendment offered by Mr. Dent (#14) to insert a new section entitled “Sec.\_\_\_\_. Prevention of Flooding of Streams and Rivers.”; was WITHDRAWN by unanimous consent.

A unanimous consent request by Mr. Dent to withdraw his amendment, was not objected to.

An amendment offered by Ms. Brown-Waite (#15) to insert a new section entitled “Sec.\_\_\_\_. Enhanced Perimeter Security and Access Control Through

Comprehensive Screening of Airport Workers.”; was WITHDRAWN by unanimous consent.

A unanimous consent request by Ms. Brown-Waite to withdraw her amendment, was not objected to.

An amendment offered by Mr. Lungren (#16) to insert a new section entitled “Sec. 1114. Federal Flight Deck Officers.”; was WITHDRAWN by unanimous consent.

A unanimous consent request by Mr. Lungren to withdraw his amendment, was not objected to.

An amendment offered by Mr. Lungren (#17) to insert a new section entitled “Sec. 512. Strengthening Airport Security Through Biometrics and Strategic Deployment of Canines.”; was WITHDRAWN by unanimous consent.

A unanimous consent request by Mr. Lungren to withdraw his amendment, was not objected to.

An amendment offered by Ms. Jackson-Lee (#18) on page 56, after line 2, insert a new section entitled “Sec. 512. Repeal of Chapter 97 of Title 5 United States Code.”; was AGREED TO by a record vote of 17 yeas and 13 nays (Roll Call Vote No. 10).

An amendment offered by Ms. Jackson-Lee (#19) to insert a new section entitled “Sec.\_\_\_\_. Report by Government Accountability Office Regarding Policies and Procedures of the Border Patrol.”; was AGREED TO by voice vote, as amended.

A unanimous consent request by Ms. Jackson-Lee to amend her amendment to include new subsections 1 and 2 detailing consultation groups, was not objected to.

An amendment offered by Mr. McCaul (#20) to insert a new section entitled “Sec.\_\_\_\_. Department of Homeland Security Identity Verification and Access to Information.” was WITHDRAWN by unanimous consent.

A unanimous consent request by Mr. McCaul to withdraw his amendment, was not objected to.

An amendment offered by Mr. Rogers (#21) to insert a new section entitled “Sec. \_\_\_\_\_. Utilization of Non-Law Enforcement Officers as Instructors for Non-Law Enforcement Classes at the Border Patrol Training Academy.” was AGREED TO by voice vote.

An en bloc amendment offered by Mr. Souder (#22) to insert a new title entitled “Title \_\_\_—Maritime Alien Smuggling”; to insert at the end of title II a new section entitled “Sec.\_\_\_\_. Required Budget Line Item for Office of Counternarcotics Enforcement.”; and to insert at the end of title II a new section entitled “Sec.\_\_\_\_. Designation of Office of Counternarcotics Enforcement as Sole Department Counternarcotics Enforcement Representative.”; was AGREED TO by voice vote.

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

An en bloc amendment offered by Ms. Jackson-Lee (#23) to insert a new section entitled “Sec.\_\_\_\_. Report by Government Accountability Office.”; to insert a new section entitled “Sec.\_\_\_\_. TOPOFF Exercises.”; and to insert a new section entitled “Sec.\_\_\_\_. Report by Government Accountability Office.”; was WITHDRAWN by unanimous consent.

A unanimous consent request by Ms. Jackson-Lee to withdraw her amendment, was not objected to.

A motion by Ms. Sanchez that Staff is authorized to make any technical and conforming changes, was not objected to.

A motion by Ms. Sanchez to authorize the Chairman to offer such motions as may be necessary in the House to go to Conference with the Senate on the bill just ordered reported by this Committee, or on a similar Senate bill; was not objected to.

