

107<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
2<sup>D</sup> SESSION

# H. R. 4029

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 20, 2002

Mr. BRADY of Texas introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

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## 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 “National Integrative  
5        Center for Homeland Security Act of 2002”.

6        **SEC. 2. FINDINGS AND PURPOSES.**

7        (a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds that—

1           (1) the events of September 11, 2001, have for-  
2           ever changed how Americans view the security and  
3           defense of their homeland;

4           (2) potential biological, nuclear, incendiary,  
5           chemical, explosive, and cyberterrorism threats sur-  
6           round most daily activities and endanger everything  
7           from the food, agriculture, and water supplies to the  
8           physical transportation, building, power, and infor-  
9           mation infrastructures;

10          (3) there is an immediate need to develop new  
11          technologies and products, as well as preparedness,  
12          prevention, reaction, detection, mitigation, decon-  
13          tamination, attribution, and educational applications  
14          in response to these potential threats; and

15          (4) there is a need for a nationally coordinated  
16          university-based activity to collect and disseminate  
17          information, to focus on critical research and edu-  
18          cational needs, and to provide national templates for  
19          response and recovery to ensure homeland security.

20          (b) PURPOSE.—The purpose of this Act is to estab-  
21          lish an integrative university-affiliated homeland security  
22          program that integrates the full spectrum of information  
23          services, research, development, evaluation, education,  
24          training, and field delivery of responder services that leads  
25          to a safer, better-prepared society.

1 **SEC. 3. NATIONAL INTEGRATIVE CENTER FOR HOMELAND**  
2 **SECURITY.**

3 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Director of the Federal  
4 Emergency Management Agency, together with a college  
5 or university in the United States selected by the Director,  
6 shall establish and operate a National Integrative Center  
7 for Homeland Security to provide a coordinated, science-  
8 based approach to enhance the Nation’s homeland secu-  
9 rity.

10 (b) SELECTION.—In selecting a college or university  
11 to participate in establishing and operating the National  
12 Integrative Center for Homeland Security, the Director  
13 shall consider whether or not the college or university has  
14 each of the following:

15 (1) Demonstrated expertise in the training of  
16 first responders.

17 (2) Membership in the National Domestic Pre-  
18 paredness Consortium.

19 (3) Affiliation with a national urban search and  
20 rescue team and a regional airport from which the  
21 team is or could be deployed.

22 (4) Demonstrated expertise in responding to in-  
23 cidents involving weapons of mass destruction.

24 (5) Demonstrated expertise in health sciences.

25 (6) Demonstrated expertise in emergency med-  
26 ical services.

1           (7) Demonstrated expertise in the area of biol-  
2           ogy and life sciences.

3           (8) Demonstrated expertise in the area of plant  
4           and animal diseases.

5           (9) Strong affiliations with animal and plant di-  
6           agnostic laboratories.

7           (10) Demonstrated expertise in food safety.

8           (11) Affiliation with Department of Agriculture  
9           laboratories or training centers.

10          (12) Close coordination with State cooperative  
11          extension programs.

12          (13) Demonstrated expertise in water and  
13          wastewater operations.

14          (14) Nationally recognized programs in environ-  
15          ment and rural health.

16          (15) Demonstrated expertise in port and water-  
17          way security.

18          (16) Demonstrated expertise in multi-model  
19          transportation.

20          (17) Nationally recognized programs in infor-  
21          mation security.

22          (18) Nationally recognized programs in engi-  
23          neering.

24          (19) Demonstrated expertise in educational out-  
25          reach and technical assistance.

1           (20) Demonstrated expertise in border trans-  
2           portation and security.

3           (21) Demonstrated expertise in interdisciplinary  
4           public policy research and communication outreach  
5           regarding science, technology, and public policy.

6 **SEC. 5. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

7           There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out  
8           this Act \$30,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2003 through  
9           2007.

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