

115TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

# H. R. 4227

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## AN ACT

To require the Secretary of Homeland Security to examine what actions the Department of Homeland Security is undertaking to combat the threat of vehicular terrorism, and for other purposes.

1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2       This Act may be cited as the “Vehicular Terrorism  
3 Prevention Act of 2018”.

4 **SEC. 2. STRATEGY ON VEHICULAR TERRORISM.**

5       (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 6 months after the  
6 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Home-  
7 land Security shall—

8           (1) assess the activities the Department of  
9 Homeland Security is undertaking to support emer-  
10 gency response providers and the private sector to  
11 prevent, mitigate, and respond to the threat of vehic-  
12 ular terrorism; and

13           (2) based on such assessment, develop and sub-  
14 mit to the Committee on Homeland Security of the  
15 House of Representatives and the Committee on  
16 Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs of the  
17 Senate a strategy to improve the Department’s ef-  
18 forts to support the efforts of emergency response  
19 providers and the private sector to prevent, mitigate,  
20 and respond to such threat.

21       (b) CONTENTS.—The strategy required under sub-  
22 section (a) shall include the following:

23           (1) An examination of the current threat of ve-  
24 hicular terrorism.

25           (2) Methods to improve Department of Home-  
26 land Security information sharing activities with

1 emergency response providers and the private sector  
2 regarding best practices to prevent, mitigate, and re-  
3 spond to the increasing threat of vehicular terrorism.

4 (3) Training activities the Department can pro-  
5 vide, including possible exercises, for emergency re-  
6 sponse providers to prevent and respond to the  
7 threat of vehicular terrorism.

8 (4) Any additional activities the Secretary of  
9 Homeland Security recommends to prevent, miti-  
10 gate, and respond to the threat of vehicular ter-  
11 rorism.

12 (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

13 (1) EMERGENCY RESPONSE PROVIDERS.—The  
14 term “emergency response providers” has the mean-  
15 ing given such term in section 2(6) of the Homeland  
16 Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 101(6)).

17 (2) VEHICULAR TERRORISM.—The term “vehic-  
18 ular terrorism” means any action that utilizes auto-  
19 motive transportation to inflict violence and intimi-  
20 dation on individuals for a political purpose.

Passed the House of Representatives March 22,  
2018.

Attest:

*Clerk.*

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