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H. R. 5146

To direct the Secretary of Homeland Security to conduct a threat assessment of terrorist threats to the United States posed by the prisoners released by the Taliban from the Pul-e-Charkhi Prison and Parwan Detention Facility in Afghanistan, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

AUGUST 31, 2021

Mr. PFLUGER (for himself and Mr. KATKO) introduced the following bill;
which was referred to the Committee on Homeland Security

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 “Afghanistan With-
5 drawal Threat Assessment Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. THREAT ASSESSMENT OF TERRORIST THREATS**
2 **POSED BY PRISONERS RELEASED BY**
3 **TALIBAN IN AFGHANISTAN.**

4 (a) THREAT ASSESSMENT.—

5 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Homeland
6 Security, in coordination with the heads of other rel-
7 evant departments or agencies, shall conduct a
8 threat assessment of terrorist threats to the United
9 States posed by the prisoners released by the
10 Taliban from the Pul-e-Charkhi Prison and Parwan
11 Detention Facility in Afghanistan.

12 (2) ELEMENTS.—The assessment required
13 under paragraph (1) shall include the following:

14 (A) With respect to the prisoners released
15 by the Taliban from the Pul-e-Charkhi Prison
16 and Parwan Detention Facility in Afghanistan,
17 information relating to—

18 (i) the number of such prisoners who
19 were released;

20 (ii) the country of origin for each such
21 prisoner; and

22 (iii) any affiliation with a foreign ter-
23 rorist organization for each such prisoner.

24 (B) The capability of the Department of
25 Homeland Security to identify, track, and mon-

1 itor such prisoners and any associated chal-
2 lenges with such capability.

3 (C) Any action of the Department with re-
4 spect to—

5 (i) mitigating the terrorist threats to
6 the United States posed by such prisoners;
7 and

8 (ii) preventing such prisoners from
9 entering the United States.

10 (b) CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATION.—Not later than
11 60 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the
12 Secretary shall—

13 (1) submit to the appropriate congressional
14 committees the threat assessment required under
15 subsection (a); and

16 (2) provide a briefing to the appropriate con-
17 gressional committees on such assessment.

18 (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this Act:

19 (1) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-
20 TEES.—The term “appropriate congressional com-
21 mittees” means—

22 (A) the Committee on Homeland Security
23 of the House of Representatives; and

24 (B) the Committee on Homeland Security
25 and Governmental Affairs of the Senate.

1 (2) FOREIGN TERRORIST ORGANIZATION.—The
2 term “foreign terrorist organization” means an or-
3 ganization designated as a foreign terrorist organiza-
4 tion under section 219 of the Immigration and Na-
5 tionality Act (8 U.S.C. 1189).

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