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H. R. 269

To enhance the safety of ports of entry in the United States, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

January 11, 2021

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

A BILL

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1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE. 4 This Act may be cited as the "Putting Our Resources 5 Toward Security (PORTS) Act". SEC. 2. IMPROVING PORTS OF ENTRY FOR BORDER SECU-6 7 RITY AND OTHER PURPOSES. 8 (1) IN GENERAL.—There are authorized to be 9 appropriated to the Administrator of the General

Services Administration \$2,000,000,000 for each of

fiscal years 2022 through 2024 to make improvements to existing ports of entry in the United States to improve border security and for other purposes.

(2) PRIORITY.—In making improvements described in subsection (a), the Administrator of the General Services Administration, in coordination with the Secretary of Homeland Security, shall give priority to the ports of entry that the Administrator determines are in most need of repair to improve border security and for other purposes in accordance with port of entry infrastructure assessment studies required in section 603 of title VI, division E, of the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2008 (Public Law 110–161).

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