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114TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 1640

[Report No. 114-166]

To direct the Secretary of Homeland Security to submit to Congress a report on the Department of Homeland Security headquarters consolidation project in the National Capital Region, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 25, 2015

Mr. WALKER (for himself, Mr. McCaul, Mr. KATKO, Mr. HURD of Texas, Mr. CARTER of Georgia, Mr. LOUDERMILK, Ms. MCSALLY, and Mr. RATCLIFFE) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Homeland Security

JUNE 17, 2015

Additional sponsors: Mr. DUNCAN of South Carolina, Mrs. MILLER of Michigan, and Mr. PERRY

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[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on March 25, 2015]

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 “Department of Home-*
5 *land Security Headquarters Consolidation Accountability*
6 *Act of 2015”.*

7 **SEC. 2. REPORT ON DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY**
8 **HEADQUARTERS CONSOLIDATION PROJECT.**

9 *(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the*
10 *date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Homeland*
11 *Security, in coordination with the Administrator of Gen-*
12 *eral Services, shall submit to the appropriate committees*
13 *of Congress a report on the Department of Homeland Secu-*
14 *rity headquarters consolidation project within the National*
15 *Capital Region. Such report shall include each of the fol-*
16 *lowing:*

17 *(1) A proposed occupancy plan for the consolida-*
18 *tion project that includes specific information about*
19 *which Department-wide operations, component oper-*
20 *ations, and support offices will be located at the site,*
21 *the aggregate number of full time equivalent employ-*
22 *ees projected to occupy the site, and schedule estimates*
23 *for migrating operations to the site.*

24 *(2) A comprehensive assessment of the current*
25 *and future real property needed by the Department in*

1 *the National Capital Region in order to carry out the*
2 *mission of the Department to secure the homeland*
3 *and defend the Nation against future acts of ter-*
4 *rorism.*

5 *(3) An analysis of the difference between the cur-*
6 *rent and needed capital assets and facilities of the*
7 *Department.*

8 *(4) A current plan for construction of the head-*
9 *quarters consolidation at the St. Elizabeths campus*
10 *that includes—*

11 *(A) the estimated costs and schedule for the*
12 *current plan; and*

13 *(B) any estimated costs savings associated*
14 *with reducing the scope of the consolidation*
15 *project and increasing the use of existing capac-*
16 *ity developed under the project.*

17 *(5) A current plan for the leased portfolio of the*
18 *Department in the National Capital Region that in-*
19 *cludes—*

20 *(A) the total rentable square feet, number of*
21 *personnel, and proposed utilization rates;*

22 *(B) the replacement and consolidation plan,*
23 *including—*

24 *(i) an end-state vision that identifies*
25 *which Department-wide operations, compo-*

1 *nent operations, and support offices do not*
2 *migrate to the St. Elizabeths campus and*
3 *continue to operate at a property in the*
4 *leased portfolio;*

5 (iii) *the number of full time equivalent*
6 *employees who are expected to operate at*
7 *each property, component, or office; and*

8 (iv) *timing and anticipated leased*
9 *terms, for leased space under the plan re-*
10 *ferred to in paragraph (4); and*

11 (C) *the costs and benefits of leasing and*
12 *construction alternatives for the headquarters*
13 *consolidation project.*

14 (6) *A detailed list of alternatives considered by*
15 *the Department during the development of the plan*
16 *referred to in paragraph (4), including the costs and*
17 *benefits of alternatives to such plan.*

18 (b) *UPDATE OF COST AND SCHEDULE ESTIMATES.—*
19 *Not later than 180 days after date of the submittal of the*
20 *report required by subsection (a), the Secretary, in coordi-*
21 *nation with the Administrator of General Services, shall*
22 *complete the update of the cost and schedule estimates for*
23 *the portions of the consolidation project that are not yet*
24 *complete as of such date based on the information contained*
25 *in the report. Consistent with the recommendation of the*

1 *Government Accountability Office in GAO-14-648, such es-*
2 *timates shall conform to relevant Federal guidance for cost*
3 *and schedule estimates.*

4 (c) *COMPTROLLER GENERAL REVIEW.—*

5 (1) *REVIEW REQUIRED.—The Comptroller Gen-*
6 *eral of the United States shall review the update of*
7 *the cost and schedule estimates under subsection (b)*
8 *to evaluate the quality and reliability of such esti-*
9 *mates.*

10 (2) *ASSESSMENT.—Not later than 60 days after*
11 *the completion of the update of the cost and schedule*
12 *estimates under subsection (b), the Comptroller Gen-*
13 *eral shall report to the appropriate congressional*
14 *committees on the results of the review required by*
15 *paragraph (1).*

16 (d) *DEFINITIONS.—In this Act:*

17 (1) *The term “National Capital Region” has the*
18 *meaning given such term under section 2674(f)(2) of*
19 *title 10, United States Code.*

20 (2) *The term “appropriate committees of Con-*
21 *gress” means the Committee on Homeland Security*
22 *and the Committee on Transportation and Infrastruc-*
23 *ture of the House of Representatives and the Com-*
24 *mittee on Homeland Security and Governmental Af-*

- 1 *fairs and the Committee on Environment and Public*
- 2 *Works of the Senate.*

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