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115TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

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To enhance the database of emergency response capabilities of the
Department of Defense.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mrs. ERNST introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred
to the Committee on _____

*and Mr. Coons
Mrs. Gillibrand
Mrs. Fischer*

A BILL

To enhance the database of emergency response capabilities
of the Department of Defense.

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 Defense
5 Emergency Response Capabilities Database Enhancement
6 Act of 2017".

1 **SEC. 2. ENHANCEMENT OF DATABASE OF EMERGENCY RE-**
2 **SPONSE CAPABILITIES OF THE DEPARTMENT**
3 **OF DEFENSE.**

4 (a) DEADLINE FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF DATA-
5 BASE.—

6 (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 1406 of the John
7 Warner National Defense Authorization Act for Fis-
8 cal Year 2007 (Public Law 109-364; 120 Stat.
9 2436; 10 U.S.C. 113 note) is amended by striking
10 “The Secretary of Defense shall maintain” and in-
11 serting the following:

12 “(a) IN GENERAL.—Commencing not later than one
13 year after the date of the enactment of the Department
14 of Defense Emergency Response Capabilities Database
15 Enhancement Act of 2017, the Secretary of Defense shall
16 establish and maintain”.

17 (2) USE OF EXISTING DATABASE OR SYSTEM.—

18 The Secretary of Defense may meet the requirement
19 in the amendment made by paragraph (1) through
20 use or modification of a current database or tracking
21 system of the Department of Defense if the Sec-
22 retary determines that such action will—

23 (A) expedite compliance with the require-
24 ment in that amendment; and

25 (B) achieve such compliance at a cost not
26 greater than the cost of establishing anew the

1 database covered by the requirement in that
2 amendment.

3 (b) INFORMATION REQUIRED IN DATABASE.—Sub-
4 section (a) of such section, as designated by subsection
5 (a)(1) of this section, is amended—

6 (1) in paragraph (1)—

7 (A) by striking “each State’s National
8 Guard, as reported by the States” and inserting
9 “the National Guard of each State and Terri-
10 tory, as reported by the States and Terri-
11 tories”; and

12 (B) by striking “home States” and insert-
13 ing “home States and Territories”; and

14 (2) by adding at the end the following new
15 paragraphs:

16 “(3) Cyber capabilities of the National Guard
17 that are identified by the Department as important
18 to national security and for response to domestic
19 natural or manmade disasters.

20 “(4) Cyber capabilities of the other reserve
21 components of the Armed Forces that are identified
22 by the Department as important to national secu-
23 rity.”.

1 (c) INFORMATION REQUIRED TO KEEP DATABASE

2 CURRENT.—Such section is further amended by adding

3 at the end the following new subsection:

4 “(b) INFORMATION REQUIRED TO KEEP DATABASE

5 CURRENT.—In implementing and maintaining the data-

6 base required by subsection (a), the Secretary shall iden-

7 tify and revise the information required to be included in

8 the database at least once every two years for purposes

9 of keeping the database current.”