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# H. R. 1736

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. PFLUGER (for himself, Mr. GUEST, and Mr. EVANS of Colorado) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Homeland Security

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## 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 “Generative AI Ter-  
5 rorism Risk Assessment Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. SENSE OF CONGRESS REGARDING THE USE OF GEN-**  
2 **ERATIVE ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE APPLI-**  
3 **CATIONS FOR TERRORIST ACTIVITY.**

4 It is the sense of Congress that—

5 (1) the heightened terrorism threat landscape  
6 and the increasing utilization of generative artificial  
7 intelligence applications by terrorist organizations  
8 represent a national security threat, and the chal-  
9 lenges posed by such threat are not well understood;  
10 and

11 (2) the Department of Homeland Security, in  
12 consultation with the Office of the Director of Na-  
13 tional Intelligence, must take steps to recognize, as-  
14 sess, and address such threat, thereby reducing risks  
15 to the people of the United States.

16 **SEC. 3. ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS ON TERRORISM THREATS**  
17 **TO THE UNITED STATES POSED BY TER-**  
18 **RORIST ORGANIZATIONS UTILIZING GENERA-**  
19 **TIVE ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE APPLICA-**  
20 **TIONS.**

21 (a) ASSESSMENTS.—

22 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days  
23 after the date of the enactment of this Act and an-  
24 nually thereafter for five years, the Secretary of  
25 Homeland Security, in consultation with the Direc-  
26 tor of National Intelligence, shall submit to the ap-

1 appropriate congressional committees an assessment of  
2 terrorism threats to the United States posed by ter-  
3 rorist organizations utilizing generative artificial in-  
4 telligence applications.

5 (2) CONTENTS.—Each terrorism threat assess-  
6 ment under paragraph (1) shall include the fol-  
7 lowing:

8 (A) An analysis of incidents during the im-  
9 mediately preceding calendar year in which ter-  
10 rorist organizations have utilized or attempted  
11 to utilize generative artificial intelligence appli-  
12 cations to carry out the following:

13 (i) Spread violent extremist messaging  
14 and facilitate the ability to radicalize and  
15 recruit individuals to violence.

16 (ii) Enhance their ability to develop or  
17 deploy chemical, biological, radiological, or  
18 nuclear weapons.

19 (B) Recommendations on appropriate  
20 measures to counter terrorism threats to the  
21 United States posed by such terrorist organiza-  
22 tions.

23 (3) COORDINATION.—Each terrorism threat as-  
24 sessment under paragraph (1)—

1 (A) shall be coordinated with the Office of  
2 the General Counsel, the Privacy Office, and  
3 the Office of for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties  
4 of the Department of Homeland Security prior  
5 to release outside the Department to ensure  
6 each such assessment complies with applicable  
7 law and protects individuals' privacy, civil  
8 rights, and civil liberties, and

9 (B) may be informed by existing products,  
10 as appropriate.

11 (4) FORM.—Each terrorism threat assessment  
12 under paragraph (1) shall be submitted in unclassi-  
13 fied form, but may include a classified annex only  
14 for the protection of intelligence sources and meth-  
15 ods relating to the matters contained in such assess-  
16 ment. The Secretary of Homeland Security shall  
17 post on a publicly available website of the Depart-  
18 ment of Homeland Security the unclassified portion  
19 of each such assessment.

20 (5) BRIEFING.—Not later than 30 days after  
21 the submission of each terrorism threat assessment  
22 under paragraph (1), the Secretary of Homeland Se-  
23 curity shall brief the appropriate congressional com-  
24 mittees regarding each such assessment. The head  
25 of any other relevant Federal department or agency

1 shall join the Secretary for any such briefing if any  
2 such committee, in consultation with the Secretary,  
3 determines such is appropriate.

4 (6) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-  
5 TEES.—In this subsection, the term “appropriate  
6 congressional committees” means the Committee on  
7 Homeland Security, the Permanent Select Com-  
8 mittee on Intelligence, and the Committee on En-  
9 ergy and Commerce of the House of Representatives  
10 and the Committee on Homeland Security and Gov-  
11 ernmental Affairs, the Select Committee on Intel-  
12 ligence, and the Committee on Commerce, Science,  
13 and Transportation of the Senate.

14 (b) INFORMATION SHARING.—The Secretary of  
15 Homeland Security shall review information relating to  
16 terrorism threats to the United States posed by terrorist  
17 organizations utilizing generative artificial intelligence ap-  
18 plications that is gathered by State and local fusion cen-  
19 ters and the National Network of Fusion Centers, and in-  
20 corporate such information, as appropriate, into the De-  
21 partment of Homeland Security’s own information relat-  
22 ing to such. The Secretary shall ensure the dissemination  
23 to State and local fusion centers and the National Net-  
24 work of Fusion Centers of such information.

25 (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

1           (1) GENERATIVE ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE  
2           APPLICATIONS.—The term “generative artificial in-  
3           telligence applications” means the class of artificial  
4           intelligence models that emulate the structure and  
5           characteristics of input data in order to generate de-  
6           rived synthetic content, including images, videos,  
7           audio, text, and other digital content.

8           (2) FUSION CENTER.—The term “fusion cen-  
9           ter” has the meaning given such term in subsection  
10          (k) of section 210A of the Homeland Security Act  
11          of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 124h).

12          (3) NATIONAL NETWORK OF FUSION CEN-  
13          TERS.—The term “National Network of Fusion Cen-  
14          ters” means a decentralized arrangement of fusion  
15          centers intended to enhance the ability of individual  
16          State and local fusion centers to leverage the capa-  
17          bilities and expertise of all such fusion centers for  
18          the purpose of enhancing analysis and homeland se-  
19          curity information sharing nationally.

20          (4) TERRORIST ORGANIZATION.—The term  
21          “terrorist organization” means—

22                 (A) any entity designated as a foreign ter-  
23                 rorist organization pursuant to section 219 of  
24                 the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C.  
25                 1189); or

1           (B) any entity engaged in terrorism, as  
2           such term is defined in section 2(18) of the  
3           Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C.  
4           101(18)).

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