

119TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 4997

To amend the Omnibus Diplomatic Security and Antiterrorism Act of 1986 to require additional specific, mandatory, counterintelligence training for certain Diplomatic Security special agents assigned to high threat posts, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

AUGUST 19, 2025

Mr. LAWLER introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on Foreign Affairs

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 “Modernize Diplomatic
5 Security Training Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. ADDITIONAL COUNTERINTELLIGENCE TRAINING.**

2 (a) **ADDITION OF TRAINING.**—Title IV of the Omni-
 3 bus Diplomatic Security an Antiterrorism Act of 1986 (22
 4 U.S.C. 4851 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end
 5 the following new section:

6 **“SEC. 418. COUNTER-INTELLIGENCE TRAINING FOR CER-**
 7 **TAIN DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SPECIAL**
 8 **AGENTS.**

9 “Diplomatic Security special agents (as authorized
 10 pursuant to section 37 of the State Department Basic Au-
 11 thorities Act of 1956 (22 U.S.C. 2709)) who are assigned
 12 to positions with a primary counterintelligence role or as-
 13 signed to a high risk, high threat post shall receive spe-
 14 cific, substantive, mandatory counterintelligence training
 15 from the Office of Counterintelligence of the Department
 16 of State.”.

17 (b) **CLERICAL AMENDMENT.**—The table of contents
 18 for the Omnibus Diplomatic Security an Antiterrorism Act
 19 of 1986 is amended by inserting in numerical sequence
 20 the following:

Sec. 418. Counter-intelligence training for certain Diplomatic Security special
 agents.

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