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115TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. _____

To direct the Under Secretary of Homeland Security for Intelligence and Analysis to develop and disseminate a threat assessment regarding terrorist use of virtual currency.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Miss RICE of New York introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on _____

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 “Homeland Security
5 Assessment of Terrorists Use of Virtual Currencies Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. THREAT ASSESSMENT ON TERRORIST USE OF VIR-**
2 **TUAL CURRENCY.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 120 days after the
4 date of the enactment of this Act, the Under Secretary
5 of Homeland Security for Intelligence and Analysis, as au-
6 thorized by section 201(b)(1) of the Homeland Security
7 Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 121), shall, in coordination with
8 appropriate Federal partners, develop and disseminate a
9 threat assessment regarding the actual and potential
10 threat posed by individuals using virtual currency to carry
11 out activities in furtherance of an act of terrorism, includ-
12 ing the provision of material support or resources to a for-
13 eign terrorist organization. Consistent with the protection
14 of classified and confidential unclassified information, the
15 Under Secretary shall share the threat assessment devel-
16 oped under this section with State, local, and tribal law
17 enforcement officials, including officials that operate with-
18 in State, local, and regional fusion centers through the De-
19 partment of Homeland Security State, Local, and Re-
20 gional Fusion Center Initiative established in section 210A
21 of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 124h).

22 (b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

23 (1) The term “foreign terrorist organization”
24 means an organization designated as a foreign ter-
25 rorist organization under section 219 of the Immi-
26 gration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1189).

1 (2) The term “virtual currency” means a digital
2 representation of value that functions as a medium
3 of exchange, a unit of account, or a store of value.