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To require Facility Security Committees to respond to security recommendations issued by the Federal Protective Service relating to facility security, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. PETERS (for himself and Mr. SCOTT of Florida) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental 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 “Improving Federal
5 Building Security Act of 2024”.

6 **SEC. 2. RESPONDING TO SECURITY RECOMMENDATIONS.**

7 (a) **DEFINITIONS.**—In this section:

1 (1) AGENCY.—The term “agency” has the
2 meaning given the term in section 551 of title 5,
3 United States Code.

4 (2) FACILITY SECURITY COMMITTEE.—The
5 term “Facility Security Committee” means a com-
6 mittee that—

7 (A) consists of representatives of—

8 (i) all Federal tenants in a specific
9 non-military facility;

10 (ii) the security organization for the
11 facility; and

12 (iii) the owning or leasing Federal
13 tenant; and

14 (B) is responsible for addressing facility-
15 specific security issues and approving the imple-
16 mentation of security measures and practices in
17 the facility.

18 (3) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
19 the Secretary of Homeland Security.

20 (b) RESPONSE.—

21 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after
22 the date on which the Federal Protective Service
23 issues a security recommendation to a Facility Secu-
24 rity Committee to improve facility security, the head

1 of the Facility Security Committee, or a designee
2 thereof, shall—

3 (A) respond to the Secretary indicating if
4 the Facility Security Committee intends to
5 adopt or reject the recommendation; and

6 (B) if the Facility Security Committee in-
7 tends to reject the recommendation, provide the
8 Secretary a justification for accepting the risk
9 posed by rejecting the recommendation.

10 (2) METHOD.—The Secretary shall—

11 (A) develop a method to monitor the rec-
12 ommendations and responses described in para-
13 graph (1); and

14 (B) take reasonable action to ensure Facil-
15 ity Security Committee response under para-
16 graph (1).

17 (c) ANNUAL REPORT.—Not later than 270 days after
18 the date of enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter,
19 the Secretary shall submit to the Committee on Homeland
20 Security and Governmental Affairs of the Senate and the
21 Committee on Homeland Security and the Committee on
22 Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Rep-
23 resentatives a report that—

24 (1) for the fiscal year preceding the report, in-
25 dicates—

1 (A) each security recommendation issued
2 by the Federal Protective Service to a Facility
3 Security Committee to improve facility security;

4 (B) whether the Facility Security Com-
5 mittee accepted or rejected the recommenda-
6 tion;

7 (C) whether the Facility Security Com-
8 mittee failed to respond to the recommendation
9 or failed to respond to the recommendation in
10 a timely manner;

11 (D) whether, by some means, the Facility
12 Security Committee mitigated the risk posed by
13 rejecting the recommendation; and

14 (E) whether the Facility Security Com-
15 mittee formally accepted the risk;

16 (2) includes, if a Facility Security Committee
17 rejected a recommendation described in paragraph
18 (1)(A), the justification described in subsection
19 (b)(1)(B); and

20 (3) provides analysis for each Facility Security
21 Committee, if any, that failed to respond to a rec-
22 ommendation described in paragraph (1)(A), includ-
23 ing any recommended actions to improve compliance

1 with the response requirements under subsection
2 (b)(1).

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