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Governmental Affairs

AN ACT

To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish
the National Urban Security Technology Laboratory, and
for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Supporting Research
3 and Development for First Responders Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. NATIONAL URBAN SECURITY TECHNOLOGY LAB-**
5 **ORATORY.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Title III of the Homeland Secu-
7 rity Act of 2002 is amended by adding at the end the fol-
8 lowing new section:

9 **“SEC. 321. NATIONAL URBAN SECURITY TECHNOLOGY LAB-**
10 **ORATORY.**

11 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary, acting through
12 the Under Secretary for Science and Technology, shall
13 designate the laboratory described in subsection (b) as an
14 additional laboratory pursuant to the authority under sec-
15 tion 308(c)(2). Such laboratory shall be used to test and
16 evaluate emerging technologies and conduct research and
17 development to assist emergency response providers in
18 preparing for, and protecting against, threats of terrorism.

19 “(b) LABORATORY DESCRIBED.—The laboratory de-
20 scribed in this subsection is the laboratory—

21 “(1) known, as of the date of the enactment of
22 this section, as the National Urban Security Tech-
23 nology Laboratory;

24 “(2) previously known as the Environmental
25 Measurements Laboratory; and

