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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Ms. HASSAN introduced the following bill; which was read twice and 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 TITLES.

- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Reporting Efficiently
- 5 to Proper Officials in Response to Terrorism Act of 2021"

6 or the "REPORT Act".

7 SEC. 2. DUTY TO REPORT.

8 (a) DUTY IMPOSED.—Except as provided in sub9 section (c), whenever an act of terrorism occurs in the
10 United States, it shall be the duty of the primary Govern-

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1 ment agency investigating such act to submit, in collabora-2 tion with the Secretary of Homeland Security, the Attor-3 ney General, the Director of the Federal Bureau of Inves-4 tigation, and, as appropriate, the Director of the National 5 Counterterrorism Center, an unclassified report (which may be accompanied by a classified annex) to Congress 6 7 concerning such act not later than 1 year after the comple-8 tion of the investigation. Reports required under this sub-9 section may be combined into a quarterly report to Con-10 gress.

(b) CONTENT OF REPORTS.—Each report under thissection shall include—

(1) a statement of the facts of the act of terrorism referred to in subsection (a), as known at the
time of the report;

16 (2) an explanation of any gaps in national secu17 rity that could be addressed to prevent future acts
18 of terrorism;

(3) any recommendations for additional measures that could be taken to improve homeland security, including potential changes in law enforcement
practices or changes in law, with particular attention
to changes that could help prevent future acts of terrorism; and

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(4) a summary of the report for public distribu tion.

3 (c) EXCEPTION.—

4 (1) IN GENERAL.—The duty established under 5 subsection (a) shall not apply in instances in which 6 the Secretary of Homeland Security, the Attorney 7 General, the Director of the Federal Bureau of In-8 vestigation, or the head of the National Counterter-9 rorism Center determines that the information re-10 quired to be reported could jeopardize an ongoing in-11 vestigation or prosecution.

(2) NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENT.—In each instance described in paragraph (1), the principal
making a determination under such paragraph shall
notify Congress of such determination not later than
1 year after the completion of the related investigation described in subsection (a).

(d) DEFINED TERM.—In this section, the term "act
of terrorism" means an act of domestic terrorism or international terrorism (as such terms are defined in section
2331 of title 18, United States Code).

(e) SUNSET.—This section shall cease to be effective
beginning on the date that is 5 years after the date of
the enactment of this Act.