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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. JODY B. HICE of Georgia introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on ________________

A BILL

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Strengthening Aviation Security Act of 2017”.

SEC. 2. USE OF RISK-BASED STRATEGIES BY FEDERAL AIR MARSHAL SERVICE.

(a) In General.—Subsection (a) of section 44917 of title 49, United States Code, is amended—
(1) in paragraph (7), by striking “and” after the semicolon at the end;

(2) in paragraph (8), by striking the period at the end and inserting a semicolon; and

(3) by adding at the end the following new paragraphs:

“(9) shall require the Federal air marshal service to utilize a risk-based strategy when allocating resources between international and domestic flight coverage, including when initially setting its annual target numbers of average daily international and domestic flights to cover;

“(10) shall require the Federal air marshal service to utilize a risk-based strategy to support domestic allocation decisions; and

“(11) shall require the Federal air marshal service to utilize a risk-based strategy to support international allocation decisions.”.

(b) REPORT.—Not later than 270 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Administrator of the Transportation Security Administration shall submit to the Committee on Homeland Security and the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs of the Senate a report that de-
scribes the compliance of the Federal air marshal service
with the requirements specified in paragraphs (9) through
(11) of subsection (a) of section 44917 of title 49, United
States Code, as added by this Act, and the documented
methodology used by the Federal air marshal service to
conduct risk assessments in accordance with such para-
graphs.

(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The Transportation Security
Administration shall begin carrying out the requirements
specified in paragraphs (9) through (11) of subsection (a)
of section 44917, United States Code, added by this Act,
by not later than the date that is 180 days after the date
of the enactment of this Act.