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1ST SESSION

H. R. 1938

To amend the Inspector General Act of 1978 to increase transparency of the Inspectors General, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 22, 2015

Mr. KIND (for himself, Mr. RIBBLE, Mr. RYAN of Wisconsin, Mr. POCAN, Ms. MOORE, Mr. SENSENBRENNER, Mr. GROTHMAN, and Mr. DUFFY) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

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 “Inspectors General
5 Transparency Act of 2015”.

1 **SEC. 2. DUTY TO SUBMIT AND MAKE AVAILABLE TO THE**
2 **PUBLIC WORK PRODUCT.**

3 Section 4 of the Inspector General Act of 1978 (5
4 U.S.C. App.) is amended by adding at the end the fol-
5 lowing:

6 “(e)(1) Whenever an Inspector General, in carrying
7 out the duties and responsibilities established under this
8 Act, issues a work product the Inspector General shall—

9 “(A) submit the work product to—

10 “(i) the head of each establishment re-
11 viewed in the work product;

12 “(ii) the Committee on Homeland Security
13 and Governmental Affairs and the Committee
14 on Appropriations of the Senate;

15 “(iii) the Committee on Oversight and
16 Government Reform and the Committee on Ap-
17 propriations of the House of Representatives;

18 “(iv) the congressional committees of juris-
19 diction;

20 “(v) if the work product was initiated upon
21 request by an individual or entity other than
22 the Inspector General, that individual or entity;
23 and

24 “(vi) any Member of Congress upon re-
25 quest; and

1 “(B) not later than 3 days after the work prod-
2 uct is submitted in final form to the head of the es-
3 tablishment, post the work product on the website of
4 the Office of Inspector General.

5 “(2) Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to
6 authorize the public disclosure of information that is spe-
7 cifically prohibited from disclosure by any other provision
8 of law.”.

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