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To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to enhance the Blue Campaign of the Department of Homeland Security, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. PETERS (for himself and Mr. PORTMAN) 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 “DHS Blue Campaign
5 Enhancement Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY BLUE CAM-**
7 **PAIGN ENHANCEMENT.**

8 Section 434 of the Homeland Security Act of 2002
9 (6 U.S.C. 242) is amended—

1 (1) in subsection (e)(6), by striking “utilizing
2 resources,” and inserting “developing and utilizing,
3 in consultation with the Advisory Board established
4 pursuant to subsection (g), resources”; and

5 (2) by adding at the end the following new sub-
6 sections:

7 “(f) WEB-BASED TRAINING PROGRAMS.—To en-
8 hance training opportunities, the Director of the Blue
9 Campaign shall develop web-based interactive training vid-
10 eos that utilize a learning management system to provide
11 online training opportunities that shall, during the 10-year
12 period beginning on the date that is 90 days after the date
13 of enactment of the DHS Blue Campaign Enhancement
14 Act, be made available to the following individuals:

15 “(1) Federal, State, local, Tribal, and territorial
16 law enforcement officers.

17 “(2) Non-Federal correction system personnel.

18 “(3) Such other individuals as the Director de-
19 termines appropriate.

20 “(g) BLUE CAMPAIGN ADVISORY BOARD.—

21 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall estab-
22 lish within the Department a Blue Campaign Advi-
23 sory Board and shall assign to such Board a rep-
24 resentative from each of the following components:

1 “(A) The Transportation Security Admin-
2 istration.

3 “(B) U.S. Customs and Border Protection.

4 “(C) U.S. Immigration and Customs En-
5 forcement.

6 “(D) The Federal Law Enforcement
7 Training Center.

8 “(E) The United States Secret Service.

9 “(F) The Office for Civil Rights and Civil
10 Liberties.

11 “(G) The Privacy Office.

12 “(H) Any other components or offices the
13 Secretary determines appropriate.

14 “(2) CHARTER.—The Secretary is authorized to
15 issue a charter for the Board, and such charter shall
16 specify the following:

17 “(A) The Board’s mission, goals, and
18 scope of its activities.

19 “(B) The duties of the Board’s representa-
20 tives.

21 “(C) The frequency of the Board’s meet-
22 ings.

23 “(3) CONSULTATION.—The Director shall con-
24 sult the Board established pursuant to paragraph
25 (1) regarding the following:

1 “(A) Recruitment tactics used by human
2 traffickers to inform the development of train-
3 ing and materials by the Blue Campaign.

4 “(B) The development of effective aware-
5 ness tools for distribution to Federal and non-
6 Federal officials to identify and prevent in-
7 stances of human trafficking.

8 “(C) Identification of additional persons or
9 entities that may be uniquely positioned to rec-
10 ognize signs of human trafficking and the devel-
11 opment of materials for such persons.

12 “(4) APPLICABILITY.—The Federal Advisory
13 Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App.) does not apply to—

14 “(A) the Board; or

15 “(B) consultations under paragraph (2).

16 “(h) CONSULTATION.—With regard to the develop-
17 ment of programs under the Blue Campaign and the im-
18 plementation of such programs, the Director is authorized
19 to consult with State, local, Tribal, and territorial agen-
20 cies, non-governmental organizations, private sector orga-
21 nizations, and experts. Such consultation shall be exempt
22 from the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C.
23 App.).”.

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