H. R. 3477

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 27, 2005

Mr. JINDAL introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Homeland Security

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. PLAN FOR ESTABLISHING CONSOLIDATED AND CO-LOCATED DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY REGIONAL OFFICES.

Not later than 60 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Homeland Security shall develop and submit to the Congress a plan for establishing
consolidated and co-located regional offices for the Department of Homeland Security in accordance with section 706 of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 346), that will—

(1) enable a rapid, robust, and coordinated Federal response to threats and incidents;

(2) enhance all-hazards preparedness across the United States with respect to terrorism, natural disasters, other emergencies;

(3) provide integrated capabilities among the Department of Homeland Security, other Federal agencies, and State and local governments; and

(4) maximize cost savings and efficiencies through establishment of regional offices at current Department of Homeland Security agency regional structures with contiguous multi-State operations.