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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 22, 2013

Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

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,
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4 SECTION 1. ADDITION OF TEAM TO NATIONAL URBAN
5 SEARCH AND RESCUE SYSTEM.
6 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds the following:
7 (1) The terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001, demonstrated the importance of enhancing na-
8 tional domestic terrorism preparedness.
(2) Twenty-six of the 28 urban search and rescue teams included in the National Urban Search and Rescue System of the Federal Emergency Management Agency were called into action in the wake of the events of September 11th.

(3) Highly qualified, urban search and rescue teams not included in the National Urban Search and Rescue System were the first teams in New York City on September 11th.

(4) The continuing threat of a possible domestic terrorist attack remains an important mission for which the Nation must prepare to respond.

(5) Part of that response should be to increase the number of urban search and rescue teams included in the National Urban Search and Rescue System.

(b) ADDITION OF NEW JERSEY TASK FORCE 1.—The Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency shall designate New Jersey Task Force 1 as part of the National Urban Search and Rescue System.