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[Report No. 118–410]

To provide for certain reviews of the use and safety of Federal buildings,
and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mrs. CHAVEZ-DeREMÉR introduced the following bill; which was referred to
the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

MARCH 6, 2024

Additional sponsor: Mr. LAWLER

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[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on November 7, 2023]

A BILL

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Federal buildings, and for other purposes.

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 “Federal Oversight of*
5 *Construction Use and Safety Act” or the “FOCUS Act”.*

6 **SEC. 2. ELIMINATING PROJECT ESCALATIONS.**

7 *Section 3307(c) of title 40, United States Code, is*
8 *amended by adding at the end the following: “The Adminis-*
9 *trator shall notify, in writing, the Committee on Transpor-*
10 *tation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives*
11 *and the Committee on Environment and Public Works of*
12 *the Senate of any increase of more than 5 percent of an*
13 *estimated maximum cost or of any increase or decrease in*
14 *the scope or size of a project of 5 or more percent. Such*
15 *notification shall include an explanation regarding any*
16 *such increase or decrease. The scope or size of a project shall*
17 *not increase or decrease by more than 10 percent unless an*
18 *amended prospectus is submitted and approved pursuant*
19 *to this section.”*

20 **SEC. 3. PUBLIC SAFETY AT FEDERAL BUILDINGS.**

21 *(a) DATA COLLECTION.—The Administrator of Gen-*
22 *eral Services shall collect data from tenant Federal agencies*
23 *reports of any safety incidents as a result of criminal or*
24 *other activity impacting public safety in and around public*

1 *buildings, as defined in section 3301 of title 40, United*
 2 *States Code.*

3 *(b) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date*
 4 *of enactment of this Act, the Administrator shall submit*
 5 *to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of*
 6 *the House of Representatives and the Committee on Envi-*
 7 *ronment and Public Works of the Senate a report that—*

8 *(1) contains the data collected under subsection*
 9 *(a); and*

10 *(2) describes any actions taken or planned, if*
 11 *necessary, to improve building management and oper-*
 12 *ations to address such incidents.*

13 **SEC. 4. REDUCING WASTE IN NEW PROJECTS.**

14 *Section 3307(b) of title 40, United States Code, is*
 15 *amended—*

16 *(1) in paragraph (7) by striking “and” at the*
 17 *end;*

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

20 *(3) by adding at the end the following:*

21 *“(9) information on any space occupied by the*
 22 *relevant agency in the geographical area of the pro-*
 23 *posed facility, including uses, utilization rates, any*
 24 *proposed consolidations, and, if not proposed to be*
 25 *consolidated, a justification for such determination;*

1 “(10) a statement by the Administrator of wheth-
2 er the public building needs of the Government for the
3 proposed space to be leased were formerly met by a
4 federally owned building, including any building
5 identified for disposal or sale; and

6 “(11) details on actual utilization rates, includ-
7 ing number of personnel assigned to the facility, num-
8 ber of personnel expected to work in-person at the fa-
9 cility and whether all personnel identified reflect
10 filled and authorized positions.”.

11 **SEC. 5. REVIEW OF SPECIAL USE SPACE.**

12 (a) *REVIEW.*—The Comptroller General of the United
13 States shall review the use of special use spaces in Federal
14 buildings, including conference centers, fitness centers, and
15 similar spaces to determine levels of utilization, opportuni-
16 ties for sharing, collocating, and other efficiencies.

17 (b) *REPORT.*—Not later than 1 year after the date of
18 enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General shall submit
19 to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of
20 the House of Representatives and the Committee on Envi-
21 ronment and Public Works of the Senate a report con-
22 taining the review under subsection (a).

23 **SEC. 6. INTERAGENCY SPACE COORDINATION.**

24 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Chapter 33 of title 40, United
25 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

1 **“§ 3319. Interagency space coordination**

2 *“Unless a Federal agency specifically restricts the*
 3 *sharing of the information described in this section for na-*
 4 *tional security purposes, the Administrator of General*
 5 *Services shall share with tenant Federal agencies pursuing*
 6 *new or replacement office space information on any other*
 7 *Federal agencies located in the same geographical area for*
 8 *purposes of determining opportunities for consolidations,*
 9 *collocations, or other space sharing to reduce the costs of*
 10 *space and maximize space utilization.”.*

11 *(b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The analysis for chapter*
 12 *33 of title 40, United States Code, is amended by adding*
 13 *at the end the following:*

“3319. Interagency space coordination.”.

14 **SEC. 7. NOTIFICATION OF MILESTONES.**

15 *Section 3307 of title 40, United States Code, is amend-*
 16 *ed by adding at the end the following:*

17 *“(i) NOTIFICATION REQUIRED.—For each project ap-*
 18 *proved under this section, the Administrator shall notify,*
 19 *in writing, the Committee on Transportation and Infra-*
 20 *structure of the House of Representatives and the Committee*
 21 *on Environment and Public Works of the Senate of any*
 22 *project milestones that are accomplished, including—*

23 *“(1) the solicitation and award of design and*
 24 *construction services;*

1 “(2) the completion of any actions required for
2 such project pursuant to the National Environmental
3 Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.);

4 “(3) any ceremonies for the beginning or comple-
5 tion of such project;

6 “(4) a naming ceremony for such project; and

7 “(5) the completion of such project.”.

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