

109TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 1805

To establish the position of Northern Border Coordinator in the Department
of Homeland Security.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 21, 2005

Ms. SLAUGHTER (for herself and Mr. McHUGH) introduced the following bill;
which was referred to the Committee on Homeland Security

A BILL

To establish the position of Northern Border Coordinator
in the Department of Homeland Security.

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. NORTHERN BORDER COORDINATOR.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Title IV of the Homeland Secu-
5 rity Act of 2002 (Public Law 107–296) is amended—

6 (1) in section 402, by redesignating paragraph
7 (8) as paragraph (9) and by inserting after para-
8 graph (7) the following:

9 “(8) Increasing the security of the border be-
10 tween the United States and Canada and the ports

1 of entry located along that border, and improving
2 the coordination among the agencies responsible for
3 maintaining that security.”; and

4 (2) in subtitle C, by adding at the end the fol-
5 lowing:

6 **“SEC. 431. NORTHERN BORDER COORDINATOR.**

7 “(a) IN GENERAL.—There shall be within the Direc-
8 torate of Border and Transportation Security the position
9 of Northern Border Coordinator, who shall be appointed
10 by the Secretary and who shall report directly to the
11 Under Secretary for Border and Transportation Security.

12 “(b) RESPONSIBILITIES.—The Northern Border Co-
13 ordinator shall be responsible for—

14 “(1) increasing the security of the border, in-
15 cluding ports of entry, between the United States
16 and Canada;

17 “(2) improving the coordination among the
18 agencies responsible for the security described under
19 paragraph (1);

20 “(3) serving as the primary liaison with State
21 and local governments and law enforcement agencies
22 regarding security along the border between the
23 United States and Canada; and

24 “(4) serving as a liaison with the Canadian gov-
25 ernment on border security.”.

1 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—Section 1(b) of such
2 Act is amended in the table of contents by inserting after
3 the item relating to section 430 the following:

“Sec. 431. Northern Border Coordinator.”.

