

109TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 3477

To direct the Secretary of Homeland Security to develop a plan for establishing consolidated and co-located regional offices for the Department of Homeland Security, and for other purposes.

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

6 Not later than 60 days after the date of the enact-
7 ment of this Act, the Secretary of Homeland Security shall
8 develop and submit to the Congress a plan for establishing

1 consolidated and co-located regional offices for the De-
2 partment of Homeland Security in accordance with section
3 706 of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C.
4 346), that will—

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

7 (2) enhance all-hazards preparedness across the
8 United States with respect to terrorism, natural dis-
9 asters, other emergencies;

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

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

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