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H. R. 9435

To establish a National Security Council Fentanyl Disruption Steering Group,
and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. GALLEGO introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committees on Foreign Affairs, Intelligence (Permanent Select), the Judiciary, and Homeland Security, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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. NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL FENTANYL DIS-**
4 **RUPTION STEERING GROUP.**

5 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established within
6 the National Security Council a Fentanyl Disruption
7 Steering Group (in this section referred to as the “Steer-
8 ing Group”).

1 (b) MEMBERSHIP.—

2 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Steering Group shall be
3 composed of—

4 (A) the Assistant to the President for Na-
5 tional Security Affairs, who shall serve as chair;
6 and

7 (B) a senior official from each of the agen-
8 cies described in paragraph (2), to be appointed
9 by the head of the respective agency of such of-
10 ficial (and in the case of the intelligence com-
11 munity, to be appointed by the Director of Na-
12 tional Intelligence).

13 (2) AGENCIES DESCRIBED.—The agencies de-
14 scribed in this paragraph are the following:

15 (A) The Department of State.

16 (B) The Department of the Treasury.

17 (C) The Department of Defense.

18 (D) The Department of Justice.

19 (E) The Department of Commerce.

20 (F) The Department of Health and
21 Human Services.

22 (G) The Department of Transportation.

23 (H) The Department of Energy.

24 (I) The Department of Homeland Security.

1 (J) The intelligence community (as defined
2 in section 3(4) of the National Security Act of
3 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3003(4))).

4 (K) The United States Postal Service.

5 (c) DUTIES.—The Steering Group shall have the fol-
6 lowing duties:

7 (1) Oversee implementation of the policy prior-
8 ities and directives undertaken by the agencies de-
9 scribed in subsection (b)(2) to combat fentanyl traf-
10 ficking and use.

11 (2) Identify and set goals for strategic disrup-
12 tion of fentanyl.

13 (3) Assist in ensuring that all of the available
14 resources and tools are brought to the efforts de-
15 scribed in paragraphs (1) and (2) in accordance with
16 strategic priorities.

17 (4) Oversee updates to and implementation of
18 the Strategy to Combat Fentanyl and Other Syn-
19 thetic Drugs of the United States Customs and Bor-
20 der Protection.

21 (5) Identify disagreements and challenges for
22 interagency review by the Steering Group.

23 (d) ANNUAL SUBMISSION OF DESCRIPTION OF INI-
24 TIATIVES.—

1 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 60 days after
2 the date of enactment of this Act, and annually
3 thereafter, the agencies described in subsection
4 (b)(2) shall submit to the chair of the Steering
5 Group a detailed description of the existing and
6 planned fusion cells, joint task forces, mission cen-
7 ters, and similar multi-department initiatives relat-
8 ing to fentanyl disruption of such agencies, including
9 an explanation of purposes, goals, and composition,
10 to support efforts to ensure appropriate
11 prioritization and resourcing and minimize duplica-
12 tion of efforts.

13 (2) FORM OF SUBMISSIONS.—The descriptions
14 described in paragraph (1) shall be submitted in un-
15 classified form but may include a classified annex.

16 (e) STRATEGIC PLAN FOR PUBLIC-PRIVATE PART-
17 NERSHIPS.—

18 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Steering Group shall
19 develop and maintain an ongoing strategic plan for
20 public-private partnerships between the agencies de-
21 scribed in subsection (b)(2) and private entities on
22 fentanyl trafficking disruption.

23 (2) REPORTS TO CONGRESS.—Not later than
24 30 days after the date of enactment of this Act, and
25 annually thereafter, the Steering Group shall submit

- 1 to Congress a report describing the strategic plan
- 2 referred to in paragraph (1).

