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**Amendments to H.R. 5020**—Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2007

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H.R. 5020, the Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2007 (sponsored by Rep. Hoekstra, R-MI), is scheduled to be considered on the House floor on Wednesday, April 26<sup>th</sup>, subject to a structured rule (H.Res. 774). Below are the summaries of the six amendments made in order under the rule. All amendments are debatable for 10 minutes each, unless otherwise noted. **Note:** summaries are based on RSC staff’s review of actual amendment text. For a summary of the underlying bill, see a separate RSC document circulated yesterday.

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**1.) Hoekstra (R-MI)**

Clarifies that the membership of the Drug Enforcement Administration in the intelligence community is limited to the Office of National Security Intelligence of the Drug Enforcement Administration. Strikes a provision relating to a rule of construction for the CIA’s protection of intelligence sources and methods.

**2.) Fossella (R-NY)**

Authorizes **\$5 million in FY2007** for a study to be conducted by the Homeland Security Secretary and the Director of National Intelligence (DNI) to identify the best practices for the communication of terrorist threat information and the related information-sharing among federal, state, and local levels of government. The results of the study, including the necessary recommendations for action, would have to be reported to Congress within six months of this bill’s enactment.

Authorizes **\$25 million over six years to establish and maintain three new centers** of best terrorist-threat-communication practices—one center in New York City, one in Detroit, and one in Los Angeles.

**3.) Lee (D-CA)**

Instructs the President, within 120 days of this bill’s enactment, to report to Congress on any authorization granted during the past 10 years to engage in intelligence activities related to the overthrow of a democratically elected government.

**4.) Price (D-NC)**

Requires:

- the DNI to report to Congress on regulations issued by agencies within the intelligence community regarding minimum standards for hiring and training of contractors, functions appropriate for private sector contractors, and procedures for preventing waste, fraud, and abuse;
- contractors awarded intelligence community contracts over \$1 million to provide, within five days of being awarded the contract, an accounting of their work (including how many people they'll use, what functions they'll undertake, and cost estimates for materials, insurance, salaries, administration, etc.) to their contracting officers within intelligence community agencies;
- contractors awarded intelligence community contracts over \$1 million to provide, after the contract is complete, actual expenditures for materials, insurance, salaries, administration, etc., to their contracting officers within intelligence community agencies;
- the DNI to submit a detailed (using similar metrics to those above) annual report to Congress on the contracts awarded by intelligence community agencies; and
- the DNI to make recommendations to Congress on enhancing the intelligence community's ability to hire, promote, and retain highly qualified and experienced professional staff.

#### **5.) Andrews (D-NJ)**

Requires the DNI to provide Congress with a quarterly classified intelligence report on insurgent forces in Iraq, containing intelligence on:

- the estimated number of insurgent forces in Iraq;
- the estimated number of insurgent forces that are former members of the Ba'ath Party;
- the estimated number of insurgent forces that are members of al Qaeda or other terrorist organizations; and
- a description of where the insurgent forces are located, their capabilities, and their sources of funding.

#### **6.) Renzi (R-AZ)**

States several findings regarding the protection of national security information, including:

- "The Supreme Court has recognized a compelling government interest in withholding national security information from unauthorized persons;
- "Potential unauthorized disclosures of classified information have impeded relationships with foreign intelligence services and the effectiveness of the Global War on Terrorism; and
- "Media corporations and journalists have improperly profited financially from publishing purported unauthorized disclosures of classified information."

Expresses a sense of Congress that the President should utilize his constitutional authority to the fullest extent practicable (where warranted) to classify and protect national security information relating to intelligence activities and information and to take effective action against persons who commit unauthorized disclosures of classified information and information contrary to law and voluntary secrecy agreements. *(20 minutes)*

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