

115TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 2664

AN ACT

To direct the Secretary of Labor to train certain Department of Labor personnel how to effectively detect and assist law enforcement in preventing human trafficking during the course of their primary roles and responsibilities, 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,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Enhancing Detection
3 of Human Trafficking Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. DEFINITION OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING.**

5 In this Act the term “human trafficking” means an
6 act or practice described in paragraph (9) or (10) of sec-
7 tion 103 of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000
8 (22 U.S.C. 7102).

9 **SEC. 3. TRAINING FOR DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL TO IDENTIFY HUMAN TRAFFICKING.**

11 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the
12 date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Labor shall
13 implement a program to—

14 (1) train and periodically retrain relevant per-
15 sonnel across the Department of Labor that the Sec-
16 retary considers appropriate, how to effectively de-
17 tect and assist law enforcement in preventing human
18 trafficking during the course of their primary roles
19 and responsibilities; and

20 (2) ensure that such personnel regularly receive
21 current information on matters related to the detec-
22 tion of human trafficking, including information that
23 becomes available outside of the Department’s initial
24 or periodic retraining schedule, to the extent rel-
25 evant to their official duties and consistent with ap-
26 plicable information and privacy laws.

1 (b) TRAINING DESCRIBED.—The training referred to
2 in subsection (a) may be conducted through in-class or
3 virtual learning capabilities, and shall include—

4 (1) methods for identifying suspected victims of
5 human trafficking and, where appropriate, perpetra-
6 tors of human trafficking;

7 (2) training that is most appropriate for a par-
8 ticular location or environment in which the per-
9 sonnel receiving such training perform their official
10 duties;

11 (3) other topics determined by the Secretary to
12 be appropriate reflecting current trends and best
13 practices for personnel in their particular location or
14 professional environment;

15 (4) a clear course of action for referring poten-
16 tial cases of human trafficking to the Department of
17 Justice and other appropriate authorities; and

18 (5) a post-training evaluation for personnel re-
19 ceiving the training.

20 **SEC. 4. REPORT TO CONGRESS.**

21 Not later than 1 year after the date of the enactment
22 of this Act, and each year thereafter, the Secretary of
23 Labor shall report to the appropriate congressional com-
24 mittees on the training provided to the personnel referred
25 to in section 3(a), including—

1 (1) an evaluation of such training and the over-
2 all effectiveness of the program required by this Act;

3 (2) the number of cases referred by Department
4 of Labor personnel in which human trafficking was
5 suspected and the metrics used by the Department
6 to accurately measure and track its response to in-
7 stances of suspected human trafficking; and

8 (3) the number of Department of Labor em-
9 ployees who have completed such training as re-
10 quired by this Act.

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Attest:

Clerk.

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