

## 116TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION H.R. 4581

To amend the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 to provide for a comprehensive domestic human trafficking estimate, and for other purposes.

## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

September 27, 2019

Mr. Yoho (for himself and Mr. Van Drew) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

## 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. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Collecting Official
- 5 Measurements and Baselines to Assess Trafficking Act of
- 6 2019" or the "COMBAT Act".
- 7 SEC. 2. COMPREHENSIVE STUDY ON HUMAN TRAFFICKING.
- 8 Section 112A of the Trafficking Victims Protection
- 9 Act of 2000 is amended by adding at the end the fol-
- 10 lowing:

1	"(d) Comprehensive Study on Human Traf-
2	FICKING.—
3	"(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Homeland
4	Security shall conduct a comprehensive study to de-
5	termine the extent of human trafficking in the
6	United States, consistent with the conclusions of the
7	consultation under paragraph (2).
8	"(2) Consultation.—In the year prior to
9	commencing the study the Secretary shall, in con-
10	sultation with such Federal agencies and State and
11	local government entities as the Secretary deter-
12	mines appropriate—
13	"(A) determine the appropriate time period
14	for the study to consider;
15	"(B) determine what information regard-
16	ing incidence of human trafficking is necessary
17	to complete the study;
18	"(C) from among information under sub-
19	paragraph (B), determine what information is
20	already reported to any other Federal agency,
21	and the availability of such information;
22	"(D) take such actions as may be appro-
23	priate to arrange for other agencies having cus-
24	tody of such information to make it available to

1	the Secretary, and, where such actions are not,
2	to promptly report to Congress thereon; and
3	"(E) enter into agreements with State and
4	local governments providing for the reporting of
5	such information.
6	"(3) Report.—The Secretary shall report the
7	results of the comprehensive study under paragraph
8	(1) to Congress, including—
9	"(A) the estimated number of victims
10	disaggregated by—
11	"(i) whether the victim was trafficked
12	within a State; and
13	"(ii) whether the victim was trafficked
14	in interstate commerce;
15	"(B) what industries the practice of
16	human trafficking is most prevalent in;
17	"(C) estimated number of victims disaggre-
18	gated by—
19	"(i) whether the victim was sex traf-
20	ficked; and
21	"(ii) whether the victim was trafficked
22	for labor; and
23	"(D) any other information the Secretary
24	deems appropriate.".