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118TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. _____

To direct certain heads of Federal agencies to develop a strategy to improve Federal investigations of organized retail crime, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mrs. KIM of California introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on _____

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 “Improving the Federal
5 Response to Organized Retail Crime Act of 2023”.

1 **SEC. 2. IMPROVING COORDINATION IN FEDERAL INVES-**
2 **TIGATION OF ORGANIZED RETAIL CRIME.**

3 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Not later than 180 days after the
4 date of the enactment of this Act, the Attorney General,
5 the Secretary of Homeland Security, the Postmaster Gen-
6 eral, and the head of each relevant agency shall develop
7 a strategy to identify how each such relevant agency can
8 coordinate with other relevant agencies to—

9 (1) improve information sharing between the
10 Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the
11 Commissioner of the U.S. Customs and Border Pro-
12 tection, the Executive Associate Director of Home-
13 land Security Investigations, the Director of the Se-
14 cret Service, the Postmaster General, and the head
15 of each relevant agency on organized retail crime
16 networks;

17 (2) assist State and local law enforcement in
18 compiling materials and evidence necessary for pros-
19 ecution of organized retail crime; and

20 (3) increase cooperation and information shar-
21 ing between each such relevant agency and the retail
22 industry, State retail crime task forces, and other
23 retail crime task forces.

24 (b) **REPORTING REQUIREMENT.**—Not later than 180
25 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Attor-
26 ney General, the Secretary of Homeland Security, the

1 Postmaster General, and the head of each relevant agency
2 shall submit a joint report to the relevant committees on
3 the strategy developed pursuant to subsection (a).

4 (c) COMPTROLLER GENERAL REPORT.—Not later
5 than 1 year after the date of the enactment of this Act,
6 the Comptroller General shall publish a report on coordi-
7 nation between the private sector and law enforcement to
8 deter and investigate organized retail crime.

9 (d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

10 (1) ORGANIZED RETAIL CRIME.—The term “or-
11 ganized retail crime” means the coordinated illegal
12 acquisition of retail goods through theft, embezzle-
13 ment, fraud, or other means that are illegal under
14 Federal or State law for the purpose of selling or
15 distributing such goods in interstate commerce.

16 (2) ORGANIZED RETAIL CRIME NETWORK.—The
17 term “organized retail crime network” means a
18 criminal network that engages in organized retail
19 crime.

20 (3) RELEVANT AGENCY.—The term “relevant
21 agency” means any agency (as defined in section
22 551 of title 5, United States Code) determined by
23 the Attorney General and Secretary of Homeland
24 Security to have a role in information sharing and
25 investigation of organized retail crime.

1 (4) RELEVANT COMMITTEES.—The term “rel-
2 evant committees” means the House Committee on
3 the Judiciary, the House Committee on Homeland
4 Security, the House Committee on Oversight and
5 Reform, the Senate Committee on the Judiciary, and
6 the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental
7 Affairs Committee.