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To provide for the appointment of a Director of State and Local Government Coordination within the Department of Homeland Security and to transfer the Office for Domestic Preparedness to the Office of the Secretary of Homeland Security.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 7, 2003

Ms. COLLINS introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Governmental Affairs

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. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY.**

4 (a) DIRECTOR OF STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT
5 COORDINATION.—Section 801(a) of the Homeland Secu-
6 rity Act of 2002 (Public Law 107–296) is amended to
7 read as follows:

1 “(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—

2 “(1) IN GENERAL.—There is established within
3 the Office of the Secretary the Office for State and
4 Local Government Coordination, to oversee and co-
5 ordinate departmental programs for and relation-
6 ships with State and local governments.

7 “(2) DIRECTOR.—The Office established under
8 paragraph (1) shall be headed by the Director of
9 State and Local Government Coordination, who shall
10 be appointed by the President, by and with the ad-
11 vice and consent of the Senate.”.

12 (b) OFFICE FOR DOMESTIC PREPAREDNESS.—The
13 Homeland Security Act of 2002 (Public Law 107–296)
14 is amended—

15 (1) by redesignating section 430 as section 802
16 and transferring that section to the end of subtitle
17 A of title VIII;

18 (2) in section 802, as redesignated by para-
19 graph (1)—

20 (A) in subsection (a), by striking “the Di-
21 rectorate of Border and Transportation Secu-
22 rity” and inserting “the Office for State and
23 Local Government Coordination”;

24 (B) in subsection (b), by striking “who
25 shall be appointed by the President” and all

1 that follows and inserting “who shall report di-
2 rectly to the Director of State and Local Gov-
3 ernment Coordination.”; and

4 (C) in subsection (c)(7)—

5 (i) by striking “other” and inserting
6 “the”; and

7 (ii) by striking “consistent with the
8 mission and functions of the Directorate”.

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