

116TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 2319

To improve the national instant criminal background check system in order to search the National Data Exchange database when conducting criminal background checks.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 12, 2019

Mr. RICE of South Carolina (for himself, Mr. HUDSON, Mr. DIAZ-BALART, Mr. WOODALL, Mr. CONAWAY, Mr. MOOLENAAR, Mrs. LESKO, Mr. STEWART, Mr. YOHO, Mr. MARCHANT, Mr. HUIZENGA, Mr. ZELDIN, Mr. AMODEI, Mr. GONZALEZ of Texas, and Ms. TORRES SMALL of New Mexico) 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 “21st Century NICS
5 Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. REQUIREMENT THAT THE NICS SYSTEM SEARCH**
2 **THE NATIONAL DATA EXCHANGE DATABASE**
3 **IN CONDUCTING BACKGROUND CHECKS.**

4 Section 103(e)(1) of the Brady Handgun Violence
5 Prevention Act (34 U.S.C. 40901(e)(1)) is amended by
6 adding at the end the following:

7 “(L) SEARCH OF NATIONAL DATA EX-
8 CHANGE DATABASE.—The system established
9 under this section may search the database of
10 the National Data Exchange in conducting a
11 background check under this section.”.

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