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H. R. 5859

To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish the major metropolitan area counterterrorism training and exercise grant program, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 14, 2016

Mr. McCaul (for himself, Mr. King of New York, Mr. Hurd of Texas, Mr. Olson, Ms. Eddie Bernice Johnson of Texas, Mr. Flores, Mr. Donovan, Mr. Langevin, Mr. Ratcliffe, Ms. McSally, Mrs. Torres, Mr. Mica, Ms. Sinema, Mr. Weber of Texas, Mr. Higgins, Mr. Babin, Mr. Loudermilk, Mr. Katko, Mr. Conaway, Mr. Garrett, Mr. David Scott of Georgia, Mr. Brady of Texas, Mr. Sam Johnson of Texas, Mr. Emmer of Minnesota, Mr. Zeldin, and Mr. Nugent) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Homeland Security

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 “Community Counter-
5 terrorism Preparedness Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. MAJOR METROPOLITAN AREA COUNTERTERROR-**
2 **ISM TRAINING AND EXERCISE GRANT PRO-**
3 **GRAM.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subtitle A of title XX of the
5 Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 603 et seq.)
6 is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

7 **“SEC. 2009. MAJOR METROPOLITAN AREA COUNTERTER-**
8 **RORISM TRAINING AND EXERCISE GRANT**
9 **PROGRAM.**

10 “(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary, acting
11 through the Administrator and the heads of other relevant
12 components of the Department, shall carry out a grant
13 program for emergency response providers to prevent, pre-
14 pare for, and respond to the most likely terrorist attack
15 scenarios, including active shooters, as determined by the
16 Secretary, against major metropolitan areas.

17 “(b) ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS.—Emergency response
18 providers and jurisdictions that are currently receiving, or
19 that previously received, funding under section 2003 may
20 apply for a grant under the program established in sub-
21 section (a).

22 “(c) APPLICATION.—

23 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Eligible applicants de-
24 scribed in subsection (b) may apply for a grant
25 under this section, and shall submit such informa-

1 tion in support of an application as the Adminis-
2 trator many require.

3 “(2) MINIMUM CONTENTS OF APPLICATION.—
4 The Administrator shall require that each applicant
5 include in its application at a minimum, the fol-
6 lowing:

7 “(A) The purpose for which the applicant
8 seeks grant funds, including a description of
9 how the applicant plans to use such funds.

10 “(B) A description of how the activity for
11 which the funding is sought will prepare the ap-
12 plicant to prevent, prepare for, and respond to
13 complex, coordinated attacks.

14 “(C) Such other information as determined
15 necessary by the Administrator.

16 “(d) PERMITTED USES.—The recipient of a grant
17 under this section may use such grant to conduct training
18 and exercises consistent with preventing, preparing for,
19 and responding to the most likely terrorist attack sce-
20 narios, including active shooters.

21 “(e) PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE.—The Administrator
22 shall make funds provided under this section available for
23 use by a recipient of a grant for a period of not fewer
24 than 24 months.

1 “(f) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
2 are authorized to be appropriated for grants under this
3 section \$39,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2017 through
4 2022.”.

5 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of contents
6 in section 1(b) of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 is
7 amended by inserting after the item relating to section
8 2008 the following new item:

“Sec. 2009. Major metropolitan area counterterrorism training and exercise grant program.”.

