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[Report No. 112–186]

To amend title 28, United States Code, to clarify the statutory authority for the longstanding practice of the Department of Justice of providing investigatory assistance on request of State and local authorities with respect to certain serious violent crimes, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 1, 2011

Mr. GOWDY introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

JULY 29, 2011

Additional sponsors: Mr. CHAFFETZ, Mr. ROSS of Florida, and Ms. JACKSON LEE of Texas

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Reported with amendments, committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, and ordered to be printed

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A BILL

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the ''Investigative Assistance for Violent Crimes Act of 2011''.

SEC. 2. INVESTIGATION OF MASS KILLING OR ATTEMPTED MASS KILLING AND OTHER VIOLENT CRIMES.

Title 28, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in section 530C(b)(1)(L)(i), by striking ''2,000,000'' and ~~inserting~~ ~~'' '$3,000,000',''~~ *inserting ''$3,000,000'';*

(2) in section 530C(b)(4), by adding at the end the following: ''The authority to conduct or assist in investigations includes the authority to deploy tactical response, command and control, and other crisis-management assets of the Bureau, as appropriate; and any such conduct or assistance shall be understood presumptively to be within the scope of Federal office or employment.'';

(3) in section 540A—

~~(A) by amending the section title to read~~ ~~''**Investigation of certain violent crimes**,''~~

*(A) in the section heading, by striking ''**Investigation of certain violent crimes**;''*

*and inserting "**Investigation of certain violent crimes**";*

(B) in subsection (a), by inserting ", in the investigation of violent acts and shootings occurring in venues such as schools, colleges, universities, non-Federal office buildings, malls, and other public places, and in the investigation of mass killings and attempted mass killings" after "traveler"; and

(C) in subsection (c), by adding the following new paragraph at the end:

"(4) 'mass killings' means three or more killings in a single incident."; and

(4) in the table of sections at the beginning of chapter 33, by striking the item relating to section 540A and inserting the following:

"540A. Investigation of certain violent crimes.".

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