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# H. R. 1744

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

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## 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. LOANS FOR EQUIPMENT USED TO ENFORCE**  
4 **ALCOHOL-RELATED TRAFFIC LAWS.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Amounts in the Alcohol-Related  
6 Traffic Laws Enforcement Fund, established under sec-  
7 tion 2, shall be available, as provided in appropriations

1 Acts, to the Administrator of the National Highway Traf-  
2 fic Safety Administration (in this section referred to as  
3 the “Administrator”) for making loans to units of local  
4 government in accordance with this section.

5 (b) USE OF LOANS.—A loan made to a unit of local  
6 government under subsection (a) may only be used by the  
7 unit for the following purposes:

8 (1) EQUIPMENT.—Subject to subsection (e), for  
9 acquiring and maintaining equipment (including  
10 breath testing devices and video surveillance cam-  
11 eras) for use in the enforcement of alcohol-related  
12 traffic laws.

13 (2) TRAINING.—For training personnel of the  
14 unit in the use of equipment described in paragraph  
15 (1).

16 (c) TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—A loan made to a unit  
17 of local government under subsection (a) shall be subject  
18 to such terms and conditions as the Administrator may  
19 require. Such terms and conditions shall at a minimum  
20 include the following:

21 (1) TERM.—The term of the loan shall not ex-  
22 ceed 5 years; except that, upon the request of the  
23 unit, the Administrator may extend the term of the  
24 loan for a period of not to exceed 2 years, if the Ad-

1 administrator determines that such an extension is  
2 necessary.

3 (2) INTEREST.—The loan shall bear interest at  
4 an annual rate of not to exceed 4 percent.

5 (3) PAYMENTS.—Payments on the loan shall be  
6 made on a quarterly basis.

7 (d) DEPOSIT OF REPAYMENTS.—Repayments on  
8 loans made under subsection (a) shall be deposited into  
9 the general fund of the Treasury.

10 (e) APPROVAL OF EQUIPMENT.—All equipment de-  
11 scribed in subsection (b)(1) shall be approved by Adminis-  
12 trator and the Governor of the State of which the unit  
13 is a part before being acquired by a unit of local govern-  
14 ment using amounts of a loan made under subsection (a).

15 (f) UNIT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT DEFINED.—For  
16 the purposes of this section, the term “unit of local gov-  
17 ernment” means a city, county, town, township, parish,  
18 village, or other political subdivision of a State.

19 **SEC. 2. ALCOHOL-RELATED TRAFFIC LAWS ENFORCEMENT**  
20 **FUND.**

21 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established in the  
22 Treasury of the United States a fund to be known as the  
23 “Alcohol-Related Traffic Laws Enforcement Fund” (in  
24 this section referred to as the “Fund”), consisting of

1 amounts appropriated to the Fund and amounts trans-  
2 ferred or credited to the Fund as provided in this section.

3 (b) TRANSFERS TO THE FUND.—

4 (1) AMOUNTS.—There shall be transferred to  
5 the Fund amounts equivalent to amounts received in  
6 the general fund of the Treasury as repayments on  
7 loans made under section 1.

8 (2) QUARTERLY TRANSFERS.—Amounts re-  
9 quired to be transferred under paragraph (1) shall  
10 be transferred at least quarterly from the general  
11 fund of the Treasury to the Fund on the basis of es-  
12 timates of such amounts made by the Secretary of  
13 the Treasury. Adjustments shall be made in  
14 amounts subsequently transferred to the extent prior  
15 estimates were more or less than the amounts re-  
16 quired to be transferred.

17 (c) MANAGEMENT OF THE FUND.—

18 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Treas-  
19 ury shall invest such portion of the Fund as is not,  
20 in the Secretary's judgment (after consultation with  
21 the Administrator of the National Highway Traffic  
22 Safety Administration) required to meet current  
23 withdrawals. Such investments may be made only in  
24 interest-bearing obligations of the United States and  
25 may be acquired on original issue at the issue price

1 or by purchase of outstanding obligations at the  
2 market price.

3 (2) SALE OF OBLIGATIONS.—Any obligation ac-  
4 quired by the Fund may be sold by the Secretary at  
5 the market price.

6 (3) INTEREST ON CERTAIN PROCEEDS.—The  
7 interest on, and proceeds from the sale or redemp-  
8 tion of, any obligations held in the Fund shall be  
9 credited to and form part of the Fund.

10 (d) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is  
11 authorized to be appropriated to the Fund \$20,000,000  
12 per fiscal year for each of fiscal years 1994 and 1995.

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