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H. R. 4428

To ensure that schools develop and implement comprehensive school safety plans.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. BACA introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce

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 “Comprehensive School
5 Safety Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. PROGRAM AUTHORIZED.**

7 The Secretary of Education is authorized to provide
8 grants on a competitive basis to State educational agencies
9 to enable schools to develop and implement comprehensive
10 school safety plans.

1 **SEC. 3. GRANT AWARD.**

2 (a) STATE APPLICATION.—To be eligible to receive
3 a grant award under this Act, a State educational agency
4 shall submit an application to the Secretary at such time,
5 in such form, and containing such information as the Sec-
6 retary may require.

7 (b) LOCAL APPLICATION.—To be eligible to receive
8 a subgrant under this Act, a local educational agency shall
9 submit an application to the State educational agency in
10 such form and containing or accompanied by such infor-
11 mation as the State educational agency shall require.

12 (c) CONTENTS.—An application submitted under
13 subsection (a) or (b) shall include assurances that—

14 (1) funds provided under this Act shall supple-
15 ment, not supplant, State and local funds;

16 (2) an applicant that receives funds under this
17 Act may use not more 1.5 percent of the funds to
18 pay administrative expenses;

19 (3) in the case of a local educational agency,
20 such agency shall provide parents, students, faculty,
21 school administrators, and any other individuals or
22 groups an opportunity to present their views and
23 make recommendations regarding the development
24 and implementation of a safety plan at each school
25 served by the agency; and

1 (4) in the case of a State educational agency,
2 such agency shall evaluate the effectiveness of each
3 school safety plan on an annual basis.

4 **SEC. 4. USES OF FUNDS.**

5 A local educational agency that receives a subgrant
6 award under this Act shall use such grant funds to—

7 (1) assess the current status of school crime
8 committed on school campuses and at school-related
9 functions;

10 (2) identify appropriate strategies and pro-
11 grams that will provide or maintain a high level of
12 school safety; and

13 (3) provide each school served by such agency
14 a safe and orderly environment conducive to learn-
15 ing.

16 **SEC. 4. DEFINITIONS.**

17 As used in this Act:

18 (1) LOCAL EDUCATIONAL AGENCY.—The term
19 “local educational agency” has the same meaning
20 given such term in section 14101 of the Elementary
21 and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C.
22 8801).

23 (2) OUTLYING AREA.—The term “outlying
24 area” means the United States Virgin Islands,
25 Guam, American Samoa, the Commonwealth of the

1 Northern Mariana Islands, the Republic of the Mar-
2 shall Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia,
3 and the Republic of Palau.

4 (3) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
5 the Secretary of Education.

6 (4) STATE.—The term “State” means each of
7 the 50 States, the District of Columbia, the Com-
8 monwealth of Puerto Rico, and each outlying area.

9 **SEC. 5. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

10 There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out
11 this Act \$50,000,000 for fiscal year 2001 and such sums
12 as may be necessary for each of the four succeeding fiscal
13 years.

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