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H. R. 3577

To direct the Attorney General to provide grants for Internet safety education programs.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Ms. Linda T. Sánchez of California (for herself, Mr. Pomeroy, Mr. Holt, Ms. Delauro, Mrs. McCarthy of New York, Mr. Ellsworth, Mr. Poe, Ms. Bordallo, Mr. Chabot, Mr. Kennedy, Mr. McIntyre, and Mr. Kind) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

To direct the Attorney General to provide grants for Internet safety education programs.

1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
3 SECTION 1. GRANTS FOR INTERNET SAFETY EDUCATION
4 PROGRAMS.
5 (a) GRANT FOR I-SAFE.—
6 (1) GRANT.—Subject to the availability of the

funds authorized to be appropriated under para-

- graph (2), the Attorney General shall provide a grant to i-Safe, Inc., to carry out Internet safety education programs.
- 4 (2) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—
 5 There is authorized to be appropriated \$5,000,000
 6 for grants under paragraph (1) for each of the fiscal
 7 years 2008 through 2012.

8 (b) Competitive Grant Program.—

- (1) ESTABLISHMENT.—Subject to the availability of the funds authorized to be appropriated under paragraph (2), the Attorney General shall create and administer a competitive grants program for organizations to carry out Internet safety education programs.
- 15 (2) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—
 16 There is authorized to be appropriated \$5,000,000
 17 for grants under paragraph (1) for each of the fiscal
 18 years 2008 through 2012.

19 SEC. 2. INTERNET SAFETY EDUCATION PROGRAMS DE-

FINED.

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- 21 (a) IN GENERAL.—The term "Internet safety edu-
- 22 cation programs' means programs that serve to educate
- 23 parents, children, educators, and communities about
- 24 Internet technology and culture, appropriate online behav-

1 ior, and recognition and prevention of potential Internet2 dangers.

(b) Related Definitions.—

- (1) Internet dangers.—The term "Internet dangers" includes access through the Internet and other electronic devices to inappropriate material, solicitation by sexual predators, sexual or racial harassment, cyberbullying, and identity theft.
- (2) Cyberbullying.—The term "cyberbullying" includes verbal or written psychological bullying or harassment by an individual or group, using an electronic device or devices through means including but not limited to e-mail, instant messaging, text messages, blogs, telephones, pagers, and websites, to support deliberate, repeated, and hostile behavior that is intended to harm others.