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H. R. 6838

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Received

AN ACT

To establish and operate a National Center for Campus
Public Safety.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Center to Advance,
3 Monitor, and Preserve University Security Safety Act of
4 2008” or the “CAMPUS Safety Act of 2008”.

5 **SEC. 2. NATIONAL CENTER FOR CAMPUS PUBLIC SAFETY.**

6 Title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe
7 Streets Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 3711 et seq.) is amended
8 by adding at the end the following new part:

9 **“PART LL—NATIONAL CENTER FOR CAMPUS**

10 **PUBLIC SAFETY**

11 **“SEC. 3021. NATIONAL CENTER FOR CAMPUS PUBLIC SAFE-**

12 **TY.**

13 “(a) AUTHORITY TO ESTABLISH AND OPERATE CEN-
14 TER.—

15 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Director of the Office
16 of Community Oriented Policing Services is author-
17 ized to establish and operate a National Center for
18 Campus Public Safety (referred to in this section as
19 the ‘Center’).

20 “(2) GRANT AUTHORITY.—The Director of the
21 Office of Community Oriented Policing Services is
22 authorized to award grants to institutions of higher
23 education and other nonprofit organizations to assist
24 in carrying out the functions of the Center required
25 under subsection (b).

1 “(b) FUNCTIONS OF THE CENTER.—The Center
2 shall—

3 “(1) provide quality education and training for
4 campus public safety agencies of institutions of high-
5 er education and the agencies’ collaborative part-
6 ners, including campus mental health agencies;

7 “(2) foster quality research to strengthen the
8 safety and security of the institutions of higher edu-
9 cation in the United States;

10 “(3) serve as a clearinghouse for the identifica-
11 tion and dissemination of information, policies, pro-
12 cedures, and best practices relevant to campus pub-
13 lic safety, including off-campus housing safety, the
14 prevention of violence against persons and property,
15 and emergency response and evacuation procedures;

16 “(4) develop protocols, in conjunction with the
17 Attorney General, the Secretary of Homeland Secu-
18 rity, the Secretary of Education, State, local, and
19 tribal governments and law enforcement agencies,
20 private and nonprofit organizations and associations,
21 and other stakeholders, to prevent, protect against,
22 respond to, and recover from, natural and man-made
23 emergencies or dangerous situations involving an im-
24 mediate threat to the health or safety of the campus
25 community;

1 “(5) promote the development and dissemina-
2 tion of effective behavioral threat assessment and
3 management models to prevent campus violence;

4 “(6) coordinate campus safety information (in-
5 cluding ways to increase off-campus housing safety)
6 and resources available from the Department of Jus-
7 tice, the Department of Homeland Security, the De-
8 partment of Education, State, local, and tribal gov-
9 ernments and law enforcement agencies, and private
10 and nonprofit organizations and associations;

11 “(7) increase cooperation, collaboration, and
12 consistency in prevention, response, and problem-
13 solving methods among law enforcement, mental
14 health, and other agencies and jurisdictions serving
15 institutions of higher education in the United States;

16 “(8) develop standardized formats and models
17 for mutual aid agreements and memoranda of un-
18 derstanding between campus security agencies and
19 other public safety organizations and mental health
20 agencies; and

21 “(9) report annually to Congress and the Attor-
22 ney General on activities performed by the Center
23 during the previous 12 months.

1 “(c) COORDINATION WITH AVAILABLE RE-
2 SOURCES.—In establishing the Center, the Director of the
3 Office of Community Oriented Policing Services shall—

4 “(1) consult with the Secretary of Homeland
5 Security, the Secretary of Education, and the Attor-
6 ney General of each State; and

7 “(2) coordinate the establishment and operation
8 of the Center with campus public safety resources
9 that may be available within the Department of
10 Homeland Security and the Department of Edu-
11 cation.

12 “(d) DEFINITION OF INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDU-
13 CATION.—In this section, the term ‘institution of higher
14 education’ has the meaning given the term in section 101
15 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1001).

16 “(e) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
17 are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section
18 \$2,750,000 for each of the fiscal years 2009 through
19 2013.”.

Passed the House of Representatives September 27,
2008.

Attest:

LORRAINE C. MILLER,

Clerk.