

115TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

# H. R. 4854

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## AN ACT

To amend the DNA Analysis Backlog Elimination Act of 2000 to provide additional resources to State and local prosecutors, and for other purposes.

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 “Justice Served Act  
3 of 2018”.

4 **SEC. 2. PROSECUTION OF DNA COLD CASES.**

5       (a) DEBBIE SMITH DNA BACKLOG GRANT PRO-  
6 GRAM.—Section 2 of the DNA Analysis Backlog Elimini-  
7 nation Act of 2000 (34 U.S.C. 40701) is amended—

8           (1) in subsection (a), by adding at the end the  
9 following:

10           “(9) To increase the capacity of State and local  
11 prosecution offices to address the backlog of violent  
12 crime cases in which suspects have been identified  
13 through DNA evidence.”; and

14           (2) in subsection (c), by adding at the end the  
15 following:

16           “(5) ALLOCATION OF GRANT AWARDS FOR  
17 PROSECUTORS.—For each fiscal year, not less than  
18 5 percent, but not more than 7 percent, of the grant  
19 amounts distributed under paragraph (1) shall, if  
20 sufficient applications to justify such amounts are  
21 received by the Attorney General, be awarded for  
22 purposes described in subsection (a)(9), provided  
23 that none of the funds required to be distributed  
24 under this paragraph shall decrease or otherwise  
25 limit the availability of funds required to be awarded

1 to States or units of local government under para-  
2 graph (3).”.

3 (b) PROSECUTION OF COLD CASES.—Of the amounts  
4 made available to the Attorney General for a DNA Anal-  
5 ysis and capacity enhancement program and for other  
6 local, State, and Federal forensic activities for the purpose  
7 described in section 2 of the DNA Analysis Backlog Elimini-  
8 nation Act of 2000 (34 U.S.C. 40701) under the heading  
9 “STATE AND LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSISTANCE”  
10 under the heading “OFFICE OF JUSTICE PROGRAMS”  
11 under the heading “DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE” in  
12 fiscal years 2019, 2020, 2021, and 2022, not less than  
13 5 percent, but not more than 7 percent, of such amounts  
14 shall be provided for grants for prosecutors to increase  
15 the capacity of State and local prosecution offices to ad-  
16 dress cold cases involving violent crime, where suspects  
17 have been identified through DNA evidence.

Passed the House of Representatives May 15, 2018.

Attest:

*Clerk.*

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