

115TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 5427

To amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to give a public safety and community policing grant preference for applicants prioritizing the hiring of school resource officers, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 5, 2018

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

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 “School and Student
5 Safety Act of 2018”.

1 **SEC. 2. PUBLIC SAFETY AND COMMUNITY POLICING GRANT**
2 **PREFERENCE FOR APPLICANTS PRIORITIZ-**
3 **ING THE HIRING OF SCHOOL RESOURCE OF-**
4 **FICERS.**

5 (a) PREFERENCE.—Section 1701(c) of the Omnibus
6 Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C.
7 10381(c)) is amended—

8 (1) in paragraph (2)(C), by striking “or” after
9 the semicolon;

10 (2) in paragraph (3)(B), by striking the period
11 at the end and inserting “; or”; and

12 (3) by adding at the end the following new
13 paragraph:

14 “(4) from an applicant that prioritizes hiring
15 new, additional career law enforcement officers for
16 deployment as school resource officers and individ-
17 uals for such positions who—

18 “(A) are—

19 “(i) veterans (as defined in section
20 101 of title 38, United States Code); or

21 “(ii) retired law enforcement officers
22 who—

23 “(I) separated from service in
24 good standing from service with a
25 public agency as a career law enforce-
26 ment officer; and

1 “(II) before such separation,
2 served as a career law enforcement of-
3 ficer for an aggregate of 10 years or
4 more; and

5 “(B) have not been officially found to be
6 unqualified for a position as a career law en-
7 forcement officer for reasons relating to mental
8 health by a medical professional in a medical
9 profession determined by the Attorney General
10 to be qualified to make such determinations.”.

11 (b) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Section
12 1001(a)(11) of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe
13 Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. 10261(a)(11)) is amend-
14 ed—

15 (1) in subparagraph (A), by striking the period
16 at the end and inserting “, and such sums as may
17 be necessary to carry out part Q for fiscal year 2019
18 and each fiscal year thereafter.”; and

19 (2) in subparagraph (B), in the first sentence
20 by striking the period at the end and inserting the
21 following: “, and 25 percent shall be made available
22 for grants to State and local law enforcement agen-
23 cies for the purposes described in section
24 1701(b)(12).”.

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