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# H. R. 7541

To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 and the Victims of Crime Act of 1984 to authorize the use of certain grant funds for active shooter preparedness, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 18, 2022

Mr. NEGUSE (for himself, Ms. ESCOBAR, Mrs. MCBATH, Mr. DEUTCH, Mr. CARSON, Mr. CICILLINE, Ms. WILLIAMS of Georgia, Mrs. HAYES, and Mr. HORSFORD) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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## 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 “Strengthen and Tackle  
5 Opportunities to Prevent Violence Act of 2022” or as the  
6 “STOP Violence Act of 2022”.

1 **SEC. 2. ANTITERRORISM AND EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE**  
2 **PROGRAM.**

3 Section 1404B(b) of the Victims of Crime Act of  
4 1984 (34 U.S.C. 20105(b)) is amended—

5 (1) by inserting after “compensation, training  
6 and technical assistance” the following: “(including  
7 efforts to prepare against mass violence and to pro-  
8 tect public assembly facilities)”;

9 (2) by striking “The Director may” and insert-  
10 ing the following:

11 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Director may”; and

12 (3) by adding at the end the following:

13 “(2) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection:

14 “(A) The term ‘mass violence’ includes ac-  
15 tive shooter incidents and targeted violence.

16 “(B) The term ‘active shooter’ means an  
17 individual actively engaged in the unauthorized  
18 killing or attempting to kill a person or persons  
19 in a confined and populated area with a fire-  
20 arm.

21 “(C) The term ‘targeted violence’ means  
22 an incident of violence where an assailant who  
23 is known or knowable to a law enforcement  
24 agency for a jurisdiction where the assailant re-  
25 sides, identifies a particular target prior to a  
26 violent attack, which may be one or more indi-

1           viduals, a class or category of individuals, or an  
2           institution, without regard to whether the as-  
3           sailant is able to successfully harm the chosen  
4           target.

5           “(D) The term ‘public assembly facility’  
6           means a permanent or temporary structure or  
7           facility, place, or activity where concentrations  
8           of people gather in reasonably close quarters for  
9           purposes including deliberation, education, wor-  
10          ship, shopping, employment, entertainment,  
11          recreation, sporting events, or similar activi-  
12          ties.”.

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