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S. 5025

To amend the Federal Fire Prevention and Control Act of 1974 to make available under the assistance to firefighters grant program the establishment of cancer prevention programs, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

SEPTEMBER 11, 2024

Mr. HELMY (for himself and Mr. BOOKER) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

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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 “Firefighter Invest-
5 ments to Recognize Exposure to Cancer Act of 2024” or
6 the “FIRE Cancer Act of 2024”.

1 **SEC. 2. CANCER PREVENTION PROGRAMS FOR FIRE-**
2 **FIGHTERS.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 33 of the Federal Fire
4 Prevention and Control Act of 1974 (15 U.S.C. 2229) is
5 amended—

6 (1) in subsection (c)(3)—

7 (A) by redesignating subparagraphs (F)
8 through (N) as subparagraphs (G) through (O),
9 respectively; and

10 (B) by inserting after subparagraph (E)
11 the following:

12 “(F) To establish cancer prevention pro-
13 grams for firefighting personnel, including pro-
14 viding multi-cancer early detection testing or
15 other forms of preventative tests.”;

16 (2) in subsection (i), by adding at the end the
17 following:

18 “(4) MAXIMUM AMOUNT FOR CERTAIN CANCER
19 TESTS.—Not more than \$1,750 from available grant
20 funds under subsection (c)(3)(F) may be obligated
21 and expended for each multi-cancer early detection
22 test or other form of preventative test.”;

23 (3) in subsection (q), by adding at the end the
24 following:

1 “(4) CANCER PREVENTION PROGRAMS.—There
2 is authorized to be appropriated \$700,000,000 for
3 grants under subsection (c)(3)(F).”;

4 (4) by redesignating subsection (r) as sub-
5 section (s); and

6 (5) by inserting after subsection (q) the fol-
7 lowing:

8 “(r) CANCER RESEARCH.—

9 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator of
10 FEMA and the Director of the Centers for Disease
11 Control and Prevention shall jointly establish a vol-
12 untary program through which firefighting personnel
13 may share with the Centers results of multi-cancer
14 early detection testing or other forms of preventative
15 tests in order to identify any trends or causes of
16 cancer in such personnel.

17 “(2) SHARING.—Any results of firefighting per-
18 sonnel described in paragraph (1) shall be shared in
19 an anonymized, de-identified manner that safe-
20 guards the personally identifiable information of
21 such personnel in order to prevent attribution to any
22 such personnel of any such shared results.”.

23 (b) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—
24 Section 33(i)(1) of the Federal Fire Prevention and Con-
25 trol Act of 1974 (15 U.S.C. 2229(i)(1)) is amended by

- 1 striking “described in subsection (c)(3)(F)” and inserting
- 2 “described in subsection (c)(3)(G)”.

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