

119TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 5430

To amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to authorize the funds under the matching grant program for school security to be used to hire school resource officers, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 17, 2025

Mr. TONY GONZALES of Texas 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 “Funding Officers and
5 Resources To Increase Facility Youth Protection Act” or
6 the “FORTIFY Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. AUTHORIZATION TO HIRE SCHOOL RESOURCE OF-**
2 **FICERS UNDER MATCHING GRANT PROGRAM**
3 **FOR SCHOOL SECURITY.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 2701 of part AA of title
5 I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of
6 1968 (34 U.S.C. 10551) is amended—

7 (1) in subsection (a)(1), by striking “through
8 (9)” and inserting “through (12)”; and

9 (2) in subsection (b)—

10 (A) by redesignating paragraph (9) as
11 paragraph (12); and

12 (B) by inserting after paragraph (8) the
13 following:

14 “(9) Hiring school resource officers (as such
15 term is defined in section 1709).

16 “(10) Purchasing firearms and protective
17 equipment for school resource officers.

18 “(11) Purchasing vehicles, including all terrain
19 vehicles, golf carts, scooters, and bicycles, for use by
20 school resource officers.”.

21 (b) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—

22 (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 2702 of part AA of
23 title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe
24 Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. 10552) is amended
25 by adding at the end the following:

1 “(c) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—The Attorney Gen-
2 eral shall provide technical assistance to States, units of
3 local government, and Indian tribes to improve access to
4 grants under this part for rural and geographically under-
5 served areas.”.

6 (2) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Section 2703(a) of
7 part AA of title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and
8 Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. 10553) is
9 amended—

10 (A) by striking “and the activities” and in-
11 serting “the activities”; and

12 (B) by inserting before the period at the
13 end the following: “, and how the provision of
14 technical assistance under section 2702(c) has
15 improved access to grants under this part for
16 rural and geographically underserved areas”.

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