

118TH CONGRESS
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To amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to establish a grant program for law enforcement agencies, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mrs. BLACKBURN (for herself and Mr. HAGERTY) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on

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 “Restoring Law and
5 Order Act of 2024”.

6 **SEC. 2. GRANT PROGRAM.**

7 Title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe
8 Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. 10101 et seq.) is amended
9 by adding at the end the following:

1 **“PART PP**

2 **“SEC. 3061. DEFINITIONS.**

3 “In this part:

4 “(1) ELIGIBLE ENTITY.—The term ‘eligible en-
5 tity’ means an agency of a State, unit of local gov-
6 ernment, or Indian Tribe that is authorized by law
7 or by an agency of a State, unit of local government,
8 or Indian Tribe to engage in or supervise the pre-
9 vention, detection, investigation, or prosecution of
10 any violation of criminal law.

11 “(2) RURAL COUNTY.—The term ‘rural county’
12 means a county that is not a part of a metropolitan
13 statistical area (as defined by the Director of the Of-
14 fice of Management and Budget).

15 **“SEC. 3062. ESTABLISHMENT.**

16 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Attorney General shall
17 award grants to eligible entities to—

18 “(1) hire and retain law enforcement officers,
19 including by awarding bonuses to law enforcement
20 officers;

21 “(2) combat interstate child trafficking;

22 “(3) prevent violent crime by prioritizing strin-
23 gent sentences for repeat offenders;

24 “(4) use public safety tools such as bail and
25 pretrial detention to prevent dangerous offenders
26 from returning to communities;

1 “(5) acquire resources to better target drug and
2 fentanyl crimes;

3 “(6) detain and deport illegal aliens who have
4 committed criminal offenses in the United States;

5 “(7) eliminate investigatory backlogs and more
6 quickly process criminal evidence; and

7 “(8) target, combat, and prosecute vehicle
8 thefts, including carjackings.

9 “(b) DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS.—Of the amounts ap-
10 propriated to carry out this part, the Attorney General
11 shall award not less than 25 percent to eligible entities
12 located in a rural county.

13 **“SEC. 3063. APPROPRIATIONS; FUNDING.**

14 “(a) RESCISSION.—Effective on the date of enact-
15 ment of the Restoring Law and Order Act of 2024, any
16 unobligated balances made available under clauses (ii) and
17 (iii) of section 10301(1)(A) of the Act titled ‘An Act to
18 provide for reconciliation pursuant to title II of S. Con.
19 Res. 14’ are rescinded.

20 “(b) APPROPRIATION.—Of the unobligated balances
21 rescinded under subsection (a)—

22 “(1) \$10,000,000,000 is appropriated to the
23 Attorney General for fiscal year 2025 to carry out
24 this part, to remain available until September 30,
25 2029; and

1 “(2) the remainder shall be deposited in the
2 Treasury.

3 “(c) REDIRECTION OF FUNDS.—Notwithstanding
4 any other law, the Attorney General shall use amounts ap-
5 propriated to the Attorney General for the purpose of car-
6 rying out a diversity, equity, or inclusion initiative estab-
7 lished pursuant to Executive Order 14035 (42 U.S.C.
8 2000e note; relating to diversity, equity, inclusion, and ac-
9 cessibility in the Federal workforce), including through the
10 award of grants, to carry out this part.”.

11 **SEC. 3. GAO STUDY.**

12 Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment
13 of this Act, the Comptroller General of the United States
14 shall conduct a study on the deficiencies—

15 (1) of law enforcement agencies in the United
16 States in processing rape kits; and

17 (2) in the availability of rape kits.