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# H. R. 6154

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 19, 2018

Mrs. TORRES introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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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 “Rapid Response Pilot  
5 Act of 2018”.

6 **SEC. 2. PILOT PROGRAM FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SYS-**  
7 **TEMS.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Health and  
9 Human Services, acting through the Assistant Secretary  
10 for Preparedness and Response (referred to in this section

1 as the “Secretary”), shall award grants, on a competitive  
2 basis, to not more than three eligible entities for the pur-  
3 pose of carrying out the activities described in subsection  
4 (c). A grant awarded under this subsection shall be for  
5 a period of three years.

6 (b) ELIGIBLE ENTITIES.—In order to be eligible for  
7 a grant under subsection (a), an entity shall—

8 (1) be a State or local emergency medical sys-  
9 tem; and

10 (2) submit to the Secretary an application at  
11 such time, in such manner, and containing such in-  
12 formation as the Secretary may require.

13 (c) USE OF GRANT FUNDS.—

14 (1) IN GENERAL.—An entity that receives a  
15 grant under subsection (a) shall use the grant funds  
16 to study emergency medical response times and the  
17 best approaches for obtaining such information.

18 (2) COORDINATION.—In carrying out para-  
19 graph (1), an entity shall coordinate with nonprofit  
20 hospitals, ambulance services providers, and other  
21 relevant stakeholders.

22 (d) REPORT.—An entity that receives a grant under  
23 subsection (a) shall submit to the Secretary a report on  
24 the activities carried out under subsection (c) at such time

1 and in such form and manner as the Secretary may re-  
2 quire.

3 (e) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—For pur-  
4 poses of carrying out this section, there is authorized to  
5 be appropriated \$5,000,000 for the period of fiscal years  
6 2019 through 2021.

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