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H. R. 6713

To direct the Director of the Bureau of Justice Statistics to establish a database with respect to corporate offenses, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Ms. SCANLON (for herself, Ms. BALINT, Mr. EVANS, Ms. JAYAPAL, Mr. NEGUSE, Ms. NORTON, Mr. RASKIN, and Ms. TLAIB) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

To direct the Director of the Bureau of Justice Statistics to establish a database with respect to corporate offenses, and for other purposes.

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 “Corporate Crime Data-
5 base Act of 2023”.

1 **SEC. 2. CORPORATE CRIME DATABASE AT THE BUREAU OF**
2 **JUSTICE STATISTICS.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Part C of title I of the Omnibus
4 Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C.
5 10131 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the fol-
6 lowing:

7 **“SEC. 305. CORPORATE CRIME DATABASE.**

8 “(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

9 “(1) BUSINESS ENTITY.—The term ‘business
10 entity’ means a corporation, association, partnership,
11 limited liability company, limited liability partner-
12 ship, or other legal entity.

13 “(2) CORPORATE OFFENSE.—The term ‘cor-
14 porate offense’ means—

15 “(A) a violation or alleged violation of Fed-
16 eral law committed by—

17 “(i) a business entity; or

18 “(ii) an individual employed by a busi-
19 ness entity within the conduct of the indi-
20 vidual’s occupational role; and

21 “(B) any other violation determined by the
22 Director to be a corporate offense.

23 “(3) DIRECTOR.—The term ‘Director’ means
24 the Director of the Bureau.

25 “(4) ENFORCEMENT ACTION.—The term ‘en-
26 forcement action’ includes any concluded administra-

1 tive, civil, or criminal enforcement action or any dec-
2 laration, settlement, deferred prosecution agreement,
3 or non-prosecution agreement entered into by a Fed-
4 eral agency to enforce a law or regulation.

5 “(5) FEDERAL AGENCY.—The term ‘Federal
6 agency’ has the meaning given the term ‘agency’ in
7 section 551 of title 5, United States Code.

8 “(b) ESTABLISHMENT.—Beginning not later than 1
9 year after the date of enactment of the Corporate Crime
10 Database Act of 2023, the Director shall—

11 “(1) collect, aggregate, and analyze information
12 regarding enforcement actions taken with respect to
13 corporate offenses; and

14 “(2) publish on the internet website of the Bu-
15 reau a database of the enforcement actions described
16 in paragraph (1).

17 “(c) INFORMATION INCLUDED.—The database estab-
18 lished under subsection (b) shall include the following in-
19 formation on an enforcement action with respect to cor-
20 porate offenses:

21 “(1) Each business entity or individual identi-
22 fied by the enforcement action.

23 “(2) The employer of an individual identified
24 under paragraph (1), as determined relevant by the
25 Director.

1 “(3) The parent company of a business entity
2 identified under paragraph (1) or the parent com-
3 pany of any employer identified under paragraph
4 (2), as determined relevant by the Director.

5 “(4) The type of offense or alleged offense com-
6 mitted by the business entity or individual.

7 “(5) Any relevant statute or regulation violated
8 by the business entity or individual.

9 “(6) Each Federal agency bringing the enforce-
10 ment action.

11 “(7) The outcome of the enforcement action, if
12 any, including all documentation relevant to the out-
13 come.

14 “(8) An unique identifier for each business enti-
15 ty, individual, employer, or parent company identi-
16 fied by the enforcement action.

17 “(9) Any additional information the Director
18 determines necessary to carry out the purposes of
19 this section.

20 “(d) INFORMATION COLLECTION BY DIRECTOR.—

21 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days
22 after the date of enactment of the Corporate Crime
23 Database Act of 2023, the Director shall establish
24 guidance for the collection of information from each
25 Federal agency that carries out an enforcement ac-

1 tion with respect to corporate offenses, including
2 identification of each Federal agency that shall sub-
3 mit information to the Director and the manner in
4 which, time at which, and frequency with which the
5 information shall be submitted.

6 “(2) COOPERATION BY FEDERAL AGENCIES.—
7 Each Federal agency identified in the guidance es-
8 tablished under paragraph (1) shall submit to the
9 Director the information specified by the Director,
10 in accordance with that guidance.

11 “(3) TIMING OF INFORMATION INCLUDED.—To
12 the extent to which information is available, the
13 database established under subsection (b) shall in-
14 clude the information described in subsection (c) on
15 each enforcement action with respect to corporate
16 offenses taken by a Federal agency before, on, or
17 after the date of enactment of the Corporate Crime
18 Database Act of 2023.

19 “(e) PUBLICATION DETAILS.—

20 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after
21 the date of enactment of the Corporate Crime Data-
22 base Act of 2023, the Director shall publish on the
23 internet website of the Bureau the database estab-
24 lished under subsection (b) in a format that is

1 searchable, downloadable, and accessible to the pub-
2 lic.

3 “(2) UPDATE OF INFORMATION.—The Director
4 shall update the information included in the data-
5 base established under subsection (b) each time the
6 information is collected under subsection (d).

7 “(f) REPORT REQUIRED.—Not later than 1 year
8 after the publication of the database established under
9 subsection (b), and annually thereafter, the Director shall
10 submit to Congress a report including—

11 “(1) a description of the data collected and
12 analyzed under this section related to corporate of-
13 fenses, including an analysis of recidivism, offenses
14 and alleged offenses, and enforcement actions;

15 “(2) an estimate of the impact of corporate of-
16 fenses on victims and the public; and

17 “(3) recommendations, developed in consulta-
18 tion with the Attorney General, for legislative or ad-
19 ministrative actions to improve the ability of Federal
20 agencies to monitor, respond to, and deter instances
21 of corporate offenses.”.

22 (b) CHIEF DATA OFFICER COUNCIL.—Section
23 3520A(b) of title 44, United States Code, is amended—

24 (1) in paragraph (4), by striking “; and” and
25 inserting a semicolon;

1 (2) in paragraph (5), by striking the period at
2 the end and inserting “; and”; and

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

4 “(6) identify ways in which a Federal agency
5 (as defined in section 305 of title I of the Omnibus
6 Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968) that
7 carries out an enforcement action (as defined in that
8 section) with respect to a corporate offense (as de-
9 fined in that section) can improve the collection, dig-
10 italization, tabulation, sharing, and publishing of in-
11 formation under that section, and the standardiza-
12 tion of those processes, in order to carry out that
13 section.”.

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