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# H. R. 8146

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 29, 2024

Mr. D'ESPOSITO introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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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 “Police Our Border Act  
5 of 2024”.

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

7 Congress finds as follows:

8 (1) Our Federal, State, local, and Tribal law  
9 enforcement officers put their lives on the line each

1 day in order to protect our country and serve their  
2 communities.

3 (2) According to the National Law Enforce-  
4 ment Officer Memorial Fund, 136 law enforcement  
5 officers died in the line of duty in 2023.

6 (3) Congress should do everything in its power  
7 to support law enforcement officers at every level  
8 and in every part of our Nation.

9 (4) The southwest border crisis created by the  
10 Biden Administration has made every State a border  
11 State.

12 (5) The Biden border crisis has placed a burden  
13 on law enforcement agencies across the Nation and  
14 has placed a significant strain on the resources that  
15 are critical to keeping communities safe.

16 (6) Law enforcement officers in every State are  
17 put in life-threatening scenarios as a direct result of  
18 the open borders.

19 (7) Law enforcement has been forced to deal  
20 with the influx of fentanyl and many officers are ex-  
21 posed to the drug while on duty.

22 (8) It is in the best interest of law enforcement  
23 officers and the communities they serve for Congress  
24 to pass, and the President to sign into law, strong  
25 border security legislation.

1 **SEC. 3. ANNUAL REPORT.**

2 Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment  
3 of this Act, the Attorney General shall submit to Congress  
4 a report on the impact the Biden border crisis is having  
5 on law enforcement officers at the Federal, State, local,  
6 and Tribal level, including—

7 (1) the estimated dollar amount of all resources  
8 devoted to addressing the Biden border crisis, and  
9 the extent to which such resources are not available  
10 to law enforcement agencies;

11 (2) the exposure of law enforcement officers to  
12 fentanyl resulting from encounters with illegal aliens  
13 at the border and in the United States;

14 (3) injuries to law enforcement officers based  
15 on a connection to the Biden border crisis or expo-  
16 sure to fentanyl; and

17 (4) the morale of law enforcement officers.

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