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H. R. 908

To amend the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994 to reauthorize the Missing Alzheimer's Disease Patient Alert Program.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 4, 2009

Ms. WATERS (for herself, Mr. MARKEY of Massachusetts, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr. SCHIFF, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, and Mr. WAXMAN) 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 "Missing Alzheimer's
5 Disease Patient Alert Program Reauthorization of 2009".

1 **SEC. 2. REAUTHORIZATION OF THE MISSING ALZHEIMER'S**
2 **DISEASE PATIENT ALERT PROGRAM.**

3 Section 240001 of the Violent Crime Control and
4 Law Enforcement Act of 1994 (42 U.S.C. 14181) is
5 amended—

6 (1) by amending subsection (a) to read as fol-
7 lows:

8 “(a) GRANT.—Subject to the availability of appro-
9 priations to carry out this section, the Attorney General,
10 through the Bureau of Justice Assistance and in consulta-
11 tion with the Secretary of Health and Human Services,
12 shall award competitive grants to nonprofit organizations
13 to assist such organizations in paying for the costs of plan-
14 ning, designing, establishing, and operating locally based,
15 proactive programs to protect and locate missing patients
16 with Alzheimer’s disease and related dementias and other
17 missing elderly individuals.”;

18 (2) in subsection (b)—

19 (A) by inserting “competitive” after “to re-
20 ceive a”; and

21 (B) by adding at the end the following new
22 sentence: “The Attorney General shall periodi-
23 cally solicit applications for grants under this
24 section by publishing a request for applications
25 in the Federal Register and by posting such a

1 request on the website of the Department of
2 Justice.”;

3 (3) by amending subsection (c) to read as fol-
4 lows:

5 “(c) PREFERENCE.—In awarding grants under sub-
6 section (a), the Attorney General shall give preference to
7 national nonprofit organizations that have a direct link to
8 patients, and families of patients, with Alzheimer’s disease
9 and related dementias.”; and

10 (4) by amending subsection (d) to read as fol-
11 lows:

12 “(d) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
13 are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section
14 \$5,000,000 for each of the fiscal years 2010 through
15 2016.”.

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