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# S. 1387

To reauthorize the Project Safe Neighborhoods Grant Program Authorization Act of 2018, and for other purposes.

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### IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 1, 2023

Mr. CORNYN (for himself, Mr. PETERS, Mr. GRASSLEY, Ms. SINEMA, Mr. TILLIS, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. CRUZ, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mrs. FISCHER, Mr. COONS, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. DURBIN, and Mr. HAWLEY) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

JUNE 8, 2023

Reported by Mr. DURBIN, with an amendment

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in italic]

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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 “Project Safe Neighbor-

5       *hoods Reauthorization Act of 2023”.*

1   **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

2       Congress finds the following:

3           (1) Launched in 2001, the Project Safe Neigh-  
4       borhoods program is a nationwide initiative that  
5       brings together Federal, State, local, and Tribal law  
6       enforcement officials, prosecutors, community lead-  
7       ers, and other stakeholders to identify the most  
8       pressing crime problems in a community and work  
9       collaboratively to address those problems.

10          (2) The Project Safe Neighborhoods program—

11           (A) operates in all 94 Federal judicial dis-  
12       tricts throughout the 50 States and territories  
13       of the United States; and

14           (B) implements 4 key components to suc-  
15       cessfully reduce violent crime in communities,  
16       including community engagement, prevention  
17       and intervention, focused and strategic enforce-  
18       ment, and accountability.

19   **SEC. 3. REAUTHORIZATION.**

20          (a) **DEFINITIONS.**—Section 2 of the Project Safe  
21       Neighborhoods Grant Program Authorization Act of 2018  
22       (34 U.S.C. 60701) is amended—

23           (1) by redesignating paragraphs (1), (2), and  
24       (3) as paragraphs (2), (4), and (5), respectively;

25           (2) by inserting before paragraph (2), as so re-  
26       designated, the following:

1           “(1) the term ‘crime analyst’ means an individual employed by a law enforcement agency for the purpose of separating information into key components and contributing to plans of action to understand, mitigate, and neutralize criminal threats;”;  
2           and  
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4           (2) by inserting after paragraph (2), as so redesignated, the following:

5           “(3) the term ‘law enforcement assistant’ means an individual employed by a law enforcement agency or a prosecuting agency for the purpose of aiding law enforcement officers in investigative or administrative duties.”.

6           (b) USE OF FUNDS.—Section 4(b) of the Project  
7           Safe Neighborhoods Grant Program Authorization Act of  
8           2018 (34 U.S.C. 60703(b)) is amended—

9           (1) in paragraph (3), by striking “or” at the  
10          end;

11           (2) in paragraph (4), by striking the period at  
12          the end and inserting a semicolon; and

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

14           “(5) hiring crime analysts to assist with violent  
15          crime reduction efforts;

1           “(6) the cost of overtime for law enforcement  
2 officers, prosecutors, and law enforcement assistants  
3 that assist with the Program; and

4           “(7) purchasing, implementing, and using tech-  
5 nology to assist with violent crime reduction ef-  
6 forts.”.

7       (e) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Section  
8 6 of the Project Safe Neighborhoods Grant Program Au-  
9 thorization Act of 2018 (34 U.S.C. 60705) is amended  
10 by striking “fiscal years 2019 through 2021” and insert-  
11 ing “fiscal years 2024 through 2028”.

12 **SEC. 4. TASK FORCE SUPPORT.**

13       (a) SHORT TITLE.—This section may be cited as the  
14 “Officer Ella Grace French and Sergeant Jim Smith Task  
15 Force Support Act of 2023”.

16       (b) AMENDMENT.—Section 4(b) of the Project Safe  
17 Neighborhoods Grant Program Authorization Act of 2018  
18 (34 U.S.C. 60703(b)), as amended by section 3(b), is  
19 amended—

20           (1) in paragraph (6), by striking “and” at the  
21 end;

22           (2) in paragraph (7), by striking the period at  
23 the end and inserting “; and”; and

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

1               “(8) support for multi-jurisdictional task  
2        forces.”.

3 **SEC. 5. TRANSPARENCY.**

4       Not less frequently than annually, the Attorney Gen-  
5 eral shall submit to the Committee on the Judiciary of  
6 the Senate and the Committee on the Judiciary of the  
7 House of Representatives a report that details, for each  
8 area in which the Project Safe Neighborhoods Block  
9 Grant Program operates and with respect to the 1-year  
10 period preceding the date of the report—

11               (1) how the area spent funds under the Project  
12       Safe Neighborhoods Block Grant Program;

13               (2) the total number of criminal prosecutions  
14       carried out in the area, disaggregated by the number  
15       of Federal and State prosecutions, and the results of  
16       those prosecutions;

17               (3) the community outreach efforts performed  
18       in the area; and

19               (4) the number and a description of the violent  
20       crime offenses committed in the area, including mur-  
21       der, non-negligent manslaughter, rape, robbery, and  
22       aggravated assault.

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