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To amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to
authorize grant programs to combat fentanyl poisonings.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. EVANS of Colorado introduced the following bill; which was referred to
the Committee on _____

A BILL

To amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets
Act of 1968 to authorize grant programs to combat
fentanyl poisonings.

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 “Combating Fentanyl
5 Poisonings Act of 2025”.

1 **SEC. 2. GRANT PROGRAMS TO COMBAT FENTANYL**
2 **POISONINGS.**

3 (a) GRANT PROGRAMS AUTHORIZED.—Subpart 1 of
4 part E of title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe
5 Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C 10151 et seq.) is amend-
6 ed—

7 (1) by redesignating section 509 as section 510;
8 and

9 (2) by inserting after section 508 the following:

10 **“SEC. 509. GRANT PROGRAMS TO COMBAT FENTANYL**
11 **POISONINGS.**

12 “(a) GRANTS TO PREVENT THE SALE OF CON-
13 TROLLED SUBSTANCES ON SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORMS.—

14 “(1) AUTHORIZATION.—The Attorney General,
15 acting through the Director of the Bureau of Justice
16 Assistance, and in consultation with the Secretary of
17 Health and Human Services, is authorized to award
18 grants to State and local law enforcement agencies
19 to assist such agencies in planning, designing, estab-
20 lishing, or operating locally based, proactive pro-
21 grams to combat the unlawful sale, marketing, or
22 distribution of controlled substances (as such term is
23 defined in section 102 of the Controlled Substance
24 Act (21 U.S.C. 802)) using social media platforms,
25 including programs that—

1 “(A) prioritize the arrest of individuals
2 who use social media platforms to unlawfully
3 sell, market, or distribute controlled substances;
4 and

5 “(B) provide education and training, in-
6 cluding online training resources, to school per-
7 sonnel, clinicians, and the public in order to—

8 “(i) educate such persons on the dan-
9 gers of ingesting controlled substances pur-
10 chased using a social media platform, espe-
11 cially the risk of fentanyl poisoning from a
12 counterfeit substance (as such term is de-
13 fined in section 102 of the Controlled Sub-
14 stance Act (21 U.S.C. 802)); and

15 “(ii) educate parents or personnel who
16 are charged with the well-being and safety
17 of children on commonly used methods of
18 communication between online drug dealers
19 and potential victims.

20 “(2) APPLICATION.—The head of a State or
21 local law enforcement agency seeking a grant under
22 this section shall submit to the Attorney General an
23 application, at such time, in such manner, and con-
24 taining such information as the Attorney General
25 may reasonably require.

1 “(b) GRANTS TO INCREASE PUBLIC AWARENESS
2 ABOUT THE DANGERS OF FENTANYL.—

3 “(1) AUTHORIZATION.—The Attorney General,
4 acting through the Director of the Bureau of Justice
5 Assistance, and in consultation with the Secretary of
6 Health and Human Services, is authorized to award
7 grants to non-profit organizations to assist such or-
8 ganizations in designing, establishing, and operating
9 public education and awareness campaigns that
10 teach individuals about the dangers of fentanyl.

11 “(2) USES OF FUNDS.—Grants awarded under
12 this section may be used for the following purposes:

13 “(A) Providing transportation for parents
14 or immediate family members of individuals
15 who died from fentanyl poisoning to speak at
16 public events or awareness campaigns.

17 “(B) Creating, producing, and dissemi-
18 nating educational materials related to the dan-
19 gers of fentanyl, such as documentaries, pam-
20 phlets, books, and infographics.

21 “(C) Providing counseling or mentorship
22 services to individuals who have had a friend or
23 a family member die from fentanyl poisoning.

1 “(D) Providing naloxone or overdose rever-
2 sal education and training services to parents
3 and school employees.

4 “(3) LIMITATION ON USES OF FUNDS.—Grants
5 awarded under this section may not be used to pur-
6 chase harm reduction services or supplies, such as
7 substance abuse test kits, sharps or medication dis-
8 posal kits, medication lockboxes, supplies to promote
9 sterile injection (including syringes and drug para-
10 phernalia), safer smoking kits (including pipes, pi-
11 pettes, and drug paraphernalia), and written edu-
12 cational materials on safer injection practices, except
13 that such funds may be used to purchase naloxone,
14 naloxone administration supplies, or naloxone ad-
15 ministration training.

16 “(4) MAXIMUM AMOUNT.—The maximum
17 amount of a grant under this subsection is \$50,000.

18 “(5) DEFINITION.—In this subsection, the term
19 ‘nonprofit organization’ means an organization that
20 is described in section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Rev-
21 enue Code of 1986 and is exempt from taxation
22 under section 501(a) of such Code.

23 “(c) GRANTS TO PROTECT LAW ENFORCEMENT OF-
24 FICERS FROM FENTANYL EXPOSURE.—

1 “(1) AUTHORIZATION.—The Attorney General,
2 acting through the Director of the Bureau of Justice
3 Assistance, and in consultation with the Secretary of
4 Health and Human Services, is authorized to award
5 grants to State and local law enforcement agencies
6 to assist such agencies in equipping and preparing
7 law enforcement officers at risk of fentanyl exposure
8 on duty.

9 “(2) USES OF FUNDS.—Grants awarded under
10 this section may be used for the following purposes:

11 “(A) Procuring and distributing equipment
12 for fentanyl testing, fentanyl detection, and
13 overdose reversal, including—

14 “(i) fentanyl test strips;

15 “(ii) field-portable ion mobility spec-
16 trometers;

17 “(iii) naloxone; and

18 “(iv) naloxone administration sup-
19 plies; and

20 “(B) Providing training to officers on the
21 use of equipment for fentanyl testing, fentanyl
22 detection, and overdose reversal.”.

23 (b) RESERVED FUNDS.—Section 506(a) of the Omni-
24 bus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34
25 U.S.C. 10157(a)) is amended—

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

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

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

6 “(3) \$10,000,000 for grants under section
7 509(a);

8 “(4) \$3,000,000 for grants under section
9 509(b); and

10 “(5) \$2,000,000 for grants under section
11 509(c).”.