

Union Calendar No. 543

110TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 2352

[Report No. 110-821, Part I]

To enhance the safety of elementary schools, secondary schools, and institutions of higher education.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 16, 2007

Mr. ROTHMAN (for himself, Mr. PASCRELL, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, Mr. DELAHUNT, Ms. BERKLEY, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. MEEKS of New York, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Ms. CORRINE BROWN of Florida, Ms. CLARKE, Mr. TOWNS, Mr. WEINER, Ms. WATERS, Ms. DEGETTE, Mr. ANDREWS, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. WU, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. YARMUTH, Mr. HALL of New York, Mr. HIGGINS, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. WATT, Mr. WYNN, Mr. BISHOP of Georgia, Ms. KILPATRICK, Ms. LEE, Mr. EMANUEL, Mr. HOLT, Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Mr. HARE, Mr. SIRES, Mr. KIND, Mr. SCOTT of Georgia, Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas, Mr. PATRICK J. MURPHY of Pennsylvania, Ms. MATSUI, Mr. KUCINICH, Ms. SUTTON, and Mr. SCOTT of Virginia) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Education and Labor, 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

AUGUST 1, 2008

Reported from the Committee on the Judiciary with an amendment

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

AUGUST 1, 2008

Referral to the Committee on Education and Labor extended for a period ending not later than September 12, 2008

SEPTEMBER 12, 2008

Additional sponsors: Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mrs. LOWEY, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Ms. CARSON, Mr. LOEBSACK, Mr. COHEN, Mr. ARCURI, Mr. DEFazio,

Mr. ORTIZ, Mr. HONDA, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Mr. MORAN of Virginia, Ms. HARMAN, Mr. CONYERS, and Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania

SEPTEMBER 12, 2008

Committee on Education and Labor discharged; committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered to be printed

[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on May 16, 2007]

A BILL

To enhance the safety of elementary schools, secondary schools, and institutions of higher education.

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 “School Safety Enhance-*
 5 *ments Act of 2008”.*

6 **TITLE I—ELEMENTARY AND SEC-**
 7 **ONDARY EDUCATION SAFETY**
 8 **ENHANCEMENTS**

9 **SEC. 101. GRANT PROGRAM FOR SCHOOL SECURITY.**

10 *Section 2701 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe*
 11 *Streets Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 3797a) is amended—*

12 *(1) in subsection (b)—*

13 *(A) in paragraph (1)—*

14 *(i) by striking “Placement” and insert-*
 15 *ing “Installation”; and*

16 *(ii) by inserting “surveillance equip-*
 17 *ment,” after “detectors,”;*

1 (B) by redesignating paragraph (5) as
2 paragraph (6); and

3 (C) by inserting after paragraph (4) the fol-
4 lowing:

5 “(5) *Establishment of hotlines or tiplines for the*
6 *reporting of potentially dangerous students and situa-*
7 *tions.*”;

8 (2) by striking subsection (d)(1) and inserting
9 the following:

10 “(1) *The Federal share of the costs of a program*
11 *provided by a grant under subsection (a) shall be not*
12 *more than 80 percent of the total of such costs.*”; and

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

14 “(g) *INTERAGENCY TASK FORCE.—Not later than 60*
15 *days after the date of enactment of the School Safety En-*
16 *hancements Act of 2008, the Director and the Secretary of*
17 *Education, or the designee of the Secretary, shall establish*
18 *an interagency task force to develop and promulgate a set*
19 *of advisory school safety guidelines. The advisory school*
20 *safety guidelines shall be published in the Federal Register*
21 *by not later than one year after such date of enactment.*
22 *In developing the final advisory school safety guidelines, the*
23 *interagency task force shall consult with stakeholders and*
24 *interested parties, including parents, teachers, and agen-*
25 *cies.*”.

1 **SEC. 102. APPLICATIONS.**

2 *Section 2702(a)(2) of the Omnibus Crime Control and*
3 *Safe Streets Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 3797b(a)(2)) is amend-*
4 *ed to read as follows:*

5 *“(2) be accompanied by a report, signed by the*
6 *chief education officer and the attorney general or*
7 *other chief law enforcement executive of the State,*
8 *unit of local government, or Indian tribe, certifying*
9 *that each proposed use of the grant funds will be—*

10 *“(A) an effective means for improving the*
11 *safety of one or more schools;*

12 *“(B) consistent with a comprehensive ap-*
13 *proach to preventing school violence; and*

14 *“(C) individualized to the needs of each*
15 *school at which those improvements are to be*
16 *made.”.*

17 **SEC. 103. ANNUAL REPORT TO CONGRESS.**

18 *Section 2703 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe*
19 *Streets Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 3797c) is amended by strik-*
20 *ing “and the activities for which those funds were used”*
21 *and inserting “and a detailed itemization of how those*
22 *funds were utilized”.*

23 **SEC. 104. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

24 *Section 2705 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe*
25 *Streets Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 3797e) is amended by strik-*
26 *ing “\$30,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2001 through*

1 2009” and inserting “\$50,000,000 for each of the fiscal
2 years 2009 and 2010”.

3 **SEC. 105. ADDITIONAL AMENDMENT.**

4 *Paragraph (5) of section 2701(b) of the Omnibus*
5 *Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C.*
6 *3797a(b)) (as amended by section 101 of this Act) is further*
7 *amended by inserting “, including hazardous conditions”*
8 *after “and situations”.*

9 **SEC. 106. ADDITIONAL AMENDMENT TO THE GRANT PRO-**
10 **GRAM FOR SCHOOL SECURITY.**

11 *Section 2701(b) of the Omnibus Crime Control and*
12 *Safe Streets Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 3797a(b)) (as amended*
13 *by sections 101 and 105 of this Act) is further amended*
14 *by inserting after paragraph (4) the following new para-*
15 *graph (and redesignating the succeeding paragraphs ac-*
16 *cordingly):*

17 *“(5) Development and implementation of safety*
18 *measures to protect students in the event of a terrorist*
19 *attack or other hazardous condition or situation.”.*

20 **TITLE II—HIGHER EDUCATION**
21 **SECURITY ENHANCEMENT**

22 **SEC. 201. REQUIREMENT FOR CAMPUS SAFETY ASSESS-**
23 **MENTS.**

24 *Section 485 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20*
25 *U.S.C. 1092) is amended by adding at the end the following:*

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