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H. R. 7199

To provide grants to law enforcement agencies for de-escalation training and community outreach, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 15, 2020

Mr. BUDD (for himself, Mr. BILIRAKIS, and Mr. CURTIS) 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 “Community Policing
5 Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. DE-ESCALATION TRAINING AND COMMUNITY OUT-**
7 **REACH GRANT PROGRAM.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Attorney General shall make
9 grants to law enforcement agencies for the purposes of

1 providing de-escalation training and community outreach
2 as described in subsection (c).

3 (b) APPLICATION.—To receive a grant under this sec-
4 tion, a law enforcement agency shall submit to the Attor-
5 ney General an application at such time, in such manner,
6 and containing such information as the Attorney General
7 may require.

8 (c) USE OF FUNDS.—Grants awarded under this sec-
9 tion may be used—

10 (1) to provide de-escalation training; and

11 (2) to facilitate community outreach initiatives
12 between the law enforcement agency and the com-
13 munity that the agency serves.

14 (d) PRIORITY.—In making grants under this section,
15 priority shall be given to law enforcement agencies with
16 high crime rates.

17 (e) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is
18 authorized to be appropriated to carry out this Act,
19 \$10,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2021 through 2025,
20 of which—

21 (1) \$7,500,000 shall be for de-escalation train-
22 ing; and

23 (2) \$2,500,000 shall be for community out-
24 reach.

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