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H. R. 3430

To amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to require maintenance of State funds for school resource officers in elementary schools and secondary schools, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. BERGMAN (for himself and Mr. HUIZENGA) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Education and Workforce

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 “School Resource Offi-
5 cer Funding Protection Act of 2025” or the “SRO Fund-
6 ing Protection Act of 2025”.

1 **SEC. 2. SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER FUNDING.**

2 Subpart 2 of part F of title VIII of the Elementary
3 and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 7901
4 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following:

5 **“SEC. 8549D. SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER FUNDING MAIN-**
6 **TENANCE.**

7 “(a) IN GENERAL.—Beginning with the first fiscal
8 year beginning after the date of the enactment of this sec-
9 tion, a State educational agency may receive the total
10 amount of funds that the agency is eligible to receive
11 under a program under this Act for any fiscal year only
12 if the agency maintains funding for school resource officer
13 programs in elementary schools and secondary schools
14 served by the agency at an amount that is not less than
15 the greater of—

16 “(1) the amount expended by the agency for
17 such school resource officer programs in the most
18 recent fiscal year preceding such fiscal year in which
19 the agency, as applicable—

20 “(A) did not receive a waiver under sub-
21 section (d); or

22 “(B) complied with the requirements of
23 this section; or

24 “(2) the average annual amount expended by
25 the agency for such school resource programs during

1 the 5 fiscal years immediately preceding such fiscal
2 year.

3 “(b) REPORT.—A State educational agency shall, on
4 an annual basis, submit to the Secretary a certification
5 of compliance with the requirement under subsection (a)
6 in such form, at such time, and containing such informa-
7 tion as the Secretary may require, including a public re-
8 port detailing, for the fiscal year in which the report is
9 submitted and each of the 5 preceding fiscal years—

10 “(1) the amount of State funding for school re-
11 source officer programs in elementary schools and
12 secondary schools served by the agency; and

13 “(2) the number of school resource officers
14 working in such elementary schools and secondary
15 schools pursuant to such programs.

16 “(c) NONCOMPLIANCE.—In the case of a State edu-
17 cational agency that fails to meet the requirement under
18 subsection (a) for a fiscal year and does not receive a waiv-
19 er under subsection (d), the Secretary shall, for the fol-
20 lowing fiscal year, reduce the total amount of funds that
21 the agency is eligible to receive under programs under this
22 Act in such following fiscal year by an amount in propor-
23 tion to—

24 “(1) the amount of State funding for school re-
25 source officer programs in elementary schools and

1 secondary schools served by the agency for the fiscal
2 year in which the agency fails to meet such require-
3 ment; compared to

4 “(2) the amount of such funding expended by
5 the agency in the most recent fiscal year preceding
6 such fiscal year in which the agency, as applicable—

7 “(A) did not receive a waiver under sub-
8 section (d); or

9 “(B) complied with the requirements of
10 this section.

11 “(d) WAIVER.—The Secretary may waive the require-
12 ments under subsection (a) for a State educational agency
13 that submits to the Secretary a waiver request dem-
14 onstrating that extraordinary financial circumstances of
15 the State, including but not limited to significant economic
16 downturn or natural disaster, resulted in a reduction in
17 the amount of State funding for school resource officer
18 programs in elementary schools and secondary schools
19 served by the agency.

20 “(e) SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER DEFINED.—For
21 purposes of this section, the term ‘school resource officer’
22 has the meaning given such term in section 1709 of the
23 Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34
24 U.S.C. 10389).”.

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