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H. R. 5211

To authorize peace officer standards and training agencies to access criminal history records, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. SCHMIDT 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 “Peace Officer Stand-
5 ards and Training Agency Information Access Clarifica-
6 tion Act”.

7 **SEC. 2. FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION.**

8 (a) ATTORNEY GENERAL DUTIES.—Section 534 of
9 title 28, United States Code, is amended—

1 (1) in subsection (a)(4), by amending to read as
2 follows:

3 “(4) exchange such records and information
4 with, and for the official use of, authorized officials
5 of the Federal Government, including the United
6 States Sentencing Commission, the States, including
7 State sentencing commissions and peace officer
8 standards and training agencies, Indian tribes, cit-
9 ies, and penal and other institutions; and”;

10 (2) in subsection (e)—

11 (A) by striking “section, the term” and in-
12 serting the following: “section—

13 “(1) the term”;

14 (B) by striking “(1) railroad” and insert-
15 ing the following:

16 “(A) railroad”;

17 (C) by striking “(2) police” and inserting
18 the following:

19 “(B) police”;

20 (D) by striking the period at the end and
21 inserting a semicolon; and

22 (E) by adding at the end the following:

23 “(2) the term ‘peace officer standards and
24 training agency’ means an agency of a State with
25 the statutory authority under State law to set stand-

1 ards for the hiring, training, ethical conduct, and re-
2 tention of the law enforcement officers of the State
3 through certification, licensing, or other similar
4 qualification process; and

5 “(3) the term ‘State’ means each of the several
6 States of the United States, the District of Colum-
7 bia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the United
8 States Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, the
9 Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands,
10 and any territory or possession of the United
11 States.”.

12 (b) REGULATIONS.—Not later than 180 days after
13 the date of enactment of this Act, the Attorney General
14 shall amend section part 20 of title 28, Code of Federal
15 Regulations, as necessary to carry out the provisions of
16 this Act.

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