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H. R. 6982

To amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to provide for reporting requirements for certain grantees for grants to combat violence against women.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Ms. MACE (for herself and Mr. FINE) 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 “Preventing Prosecutors
5 from Protecting Predators Act of 2026”.

1 **SEC. 2. GRANTS TO COMBAT VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN**
2 **REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Part T of title I of the Omnibus
4 Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C.
5 10441 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the fol-
6 lowing:

7 **“SEC. 2019. PROSECUTORIAL DATA REPORTING.**

8 “(a) IN GENERAL.—On an annual basis, each chief
9 prosecuting officer of a covered office that serves a juris-
10 diction of 100,000 or more persons, if that jurisdiction
11 receives funds under this part, shall submit to the Attor-
12 ney General a report that contains, for the previous fiscal
13 year, the following:

14 “(1) The total number of cases referred to the
15 office for prosecution of a covered offense.

16 “(2) The number of cases involving a covered
17 offense such office declined to prosecute and the rea-
18 soning for why the office declined to prosecute the
19 covered offense.

20 “(3) The number of cases involving a covered
21 offense initiated against a defendant—

22 “(A) previously arrested for an offense
23 arising out of separate conduct;

24 “(B) previously convicted for an offense
25 arising out of separate conduct;

1 “(C) with a pending case involving an of-
2 fense arising out of separate conduct;

3 “(D) serving a term of probation for a con-
4 viction for an offense arising out of separate
5 conduct;

6 “(E) currently on parole for a conviction
7 for an offense arising out of separate conduct;
8 and

9 “(F) currently or previously enrolled on
10 the National Sex Offender Registry.

11 “(4) The number of defendants charged with a
12 covered offense—

13 “(A) released on their own recognizance;

14 “(B) who were eligible for bail;

15 “(C) for whom the prosecutor requested
16 bail and—

17 “(i) the type of bail requested;

18 “(ii) the amount of bail requested;

19 and

20 “(iii) whether additional non-monetary
21 conditions were requested;

22 “(D) for whom the court granted bail
23 and—

24 “(i) the type of bail imposed;

25 “(ii) the amount of bail imposed;

1 “(iii) whether additional non-monetary
2 conditions were requested or imposed; and

3 “(iv) outcomes after release on bail,
4 including failure to appear or rearrest for
5 an offense arising out of separate conduct;
6 and

7 “(E) held in pretrial detention.

8 “(5) The number of defendants charged with a
9 covered offense—

10 “(A) convicted of the covered offense as
11 the result of a trial;

12 “(B) convicted of an offense as the result
13 of a plea agreement;

14 “(C) found not guilty of the covered of-
15 fense as the result of a trial;

16 “(D) whose cases ended in a mistrial;

17 “(E) whose charges were dismissed and
18 the reasoning for each dismissal; and

19 “(F) whose charges were adjudicated by a
20 diversion agreement, deferred prosecution
21 agreement, or any substantively similar proce-
22 dure and the reasoning for each agreement.

23 “(6) For cases involving a covered offense that
24 resulted in a plea agreement reached with the de-
25 fendant—

1 “(A) the number of such cases by each ini-
2 tial charge referred for prosecution;

3 “(B) the number of such cases by each
4 charge that a defendant was convicted of as
5 part of a plea-deal;

6 “(C) the number of such cases involving a
7 defendant previously arrested for an offense
8 arising out of separate conduct;

9 “(D) the number of such cases involving a
10 defendant previously convicted for an offense
11 arising out of separate conduct;

12 “(E) the number of such cases involving a
13 defendant serving a term of probation for a
14 conviction for an offense arising out of separate
15 conduct;

16 “(F) the number of such cases involving a
17 defendant released on parole for a conviction
18 for an offense arising out of separate conduct;
19 and

20 “(G) the number of such cases involving a
21 defendant currently or previously enrolled on
22 the National Sex Offender Registry.

23 “(7) For cases involving a covered offense that
24 resulted in a conviction of the defendant at trial—

1 “(A) the number of such cases by each ini-
2 tial charge referred for prosecution;

3 “(B) the number of such cases involving a
4 defendant previously arrested for an offense
5 arising out of separate conduct;

6 “(C) the number of such cases involving a
7 defendant previously convicted for an offense
8 arising out of separate conduct;

9 “(D) the number of such cases involving a
10 defendant serving a term of probation for a
11 conviction for an offense arising out of separate
12 conduct;

13 “(E) the number of such cases involving a
14 defendant released on parole for a conviction
15 for an offense arising out of separate conduct;

16 “(F) the number of such cases involving a
17 defendant currently or previously enrolled on
18 the National Sex Offender Registry;

19 “(G) the prosecutor’s sentencing rec-
20 ommendation and justification; and

21 “(H) the actual sentence imposed.

22 “(b) UNIFORM STANDARDS.—The Attorney General
23 shall define uniform standards for the reporting of the in-
24 formation required under this subsection, including the
25 form such reports shall take and the process by which such

1 reports shall be shared with the Attorney General. The
2 Attorney General shall require each covered office to re-
3 port information segregated by covered offense and orga-
4 nized in distinct sections reflecting prosecutions, bail con-
5 ditions, plea agreements, and sentencing outcomes for
6 each such offense.

7 “(c) SUBMISSION TO JUDICIARY COMMITTEES.—The
8 Attorney General shall submit the information received
9 under this subsection to the Committee on the Judiciary
10 of the Senate and the Committee on the Judiciary of the
11 House of Representatives and shall publish such informa-
12 tion on a publicly viewable website.

13 “(d) COVERED OFFENSE DEFINED.—In this sub-
14 section, the term ‘covered offense’ means any of the fol-
15 lowing, and includes any attempt or conspiracy to commit
16 any of the following:

17 “(1) Rape.

18 “(2) Sexual assault.

19 “(3) Domestic violence.

20 “(4) Domestic abuse or spousal abuse.

21 “(5) Production, possession, sale, or distribu-
22 tion of child sex abuse materials or child pornog-
23 raphy.

24 “(6) Child abuse and neglect.

25 “(7) Sexual abuse or aggravated sexual abuse.

1 “(8) Child sexual abuse.

2 “(9) Forcible sodomy.

3 “(10) Murder or manslaughter committed be-
4 fore, during, or after a sex offense.

5 “(11) Incest.

6 “(12) Burglary with intent to commit a sex of-
7 fense.

8 “(13) Voyeurism or video voyeurism.

9 “(14) Solicitation of a minor to engage in sex-
10 ual conduct.

11 “(15) Solicitation of a minor to engage in or
12 practice prostitution.

13 “(16) Endangering the welfare of a child.

14 “(17) Sexual exploitation of a minor.

15 “(18) Nonconsensual distribution of intimate
16 images.

17 “(19) Sex trafficking.

18 “(e) COVERED OFFICE DEFINED.—In this section,
19 the term ‘covered office’ means any of the following:

20 “(1) The attorney general’s office or sub-
21 stantively similar office of a State, Territory, or trib-
22 al jurisdiction.

23 “(2) The office of a subdivision of a State, ter-
24 ritory, or Tribal jurisdiction responsible for prosecu-
25 tion, including a district attorney’s office, state’s at-

1 torney office, county attorney’s office, city attorney’s
2 office or solicitor’s office.

3 “(f) PENALTIES FOR NONCOMPLIANCE.—Beginning
4 in the first fiscal year after the effective date of this sec-
5 tion, the following shall apply:

6 “(1) If the chief executive of a covered office re-
7 quired to submit a report under this section fails to
8 submit the required report, the Attorney General
9 shall withhold not less than 25 percent and not more
10 than 50 percent of funds otherwise allocable to that
11 office under this part for the following fiscal year.

12 “(2) If the Attorney General determines that a
13 covered office has declined to prosecute more than
14 one-half of the total number of cases referred to it
15 for prosecution of a covered offense during the pre-
16 ceding fiscal year, the Attorney General may—

17 “(A) require that office to submit a correc-
18 tive action plan addressing prosecutorial prac-
19 tices and criteria for case declinations;

20 “(B) condition continued grants under this
21 part on implementation of the corrective plan;
22 and

23 “(C) in cases of repeated noncompliance or
24 failure to implement such a plan, reduce or sus-

- 1 pend future grant eligibility for that office for
- 2 a period not to exceed two fiscal years.”.

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