

119TH CONGRESS  
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# H. R. 9078

To amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act to include reporting requirements of felony convictions related to animal cruelty, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 29, 2026

Mr. STEUBE (for himself, Mr. VAN DREW, and Mr. FINE) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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## 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 “Law Enforcement Ani-  
5 mal Safety and Harm Reporting Act of 2026” or the  
6 “LEASH Act of 2026”.

1 **SEC. 2. ANIMAL WELFARE DATA REPORTING.**

2 (a) BYRNE JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT ELIGI-  
3 BILITY.—The Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets  
4 Act (34 U.S.C. 10153 et seq.) is amended—

5 (1) in section 502(a), by adding at the end the  
6 following:

7 “(7) A certification that, for each fiscal year  
8 covered by an application, the applicant will report  
9 to the Attorney General data on felony convictions  
10 under State law that involved cruelty to animals in-  
11 cluding the name of any individual convicted under  
12 such law.”; and

13 (2) in section 505(f), by striking “to those ju-  
14 risdictions with the highest annual number of part  
15 1 violent crimes of the Uniform Crime Reports re-  
16 ported by the unit of local government to the Fed-  
17 eral Bureau of Investigation for the three most re-  
18 cent calendar years for which such data are avail-  
19 able” inserting “to units of local government—

20 “(1) with the highest annual number of part 1  
21 violent crimes of the Uniform Crime Reports re-  
22 ported by the unit of local government to the Fed-  
23 eral Bureau of Investigation for the three most re-  
24 cent calendar years for which such data are avail-  
25 able; and

1           “(2) that submit data to the National Incident-  
2       Based Reporting System on felony convictions under  
3       State law that involved cruelty to animals including  
4       the name of any individual convicted under such  
5       law.”.

6       (b) DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE DATABASE.—Not  
7       later than 2 years after the date of enactment of this Act,  
8       the Attorney General shall—

9           (1) establish a publicly accessible database con-  
10       taining the data reported under section 502(a)(7) of  
11       the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act  
12       (34 U.S.C. 10153); and

13           (2) periodically update such database.

14       (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by  
15       subsection (a), shall apply to applications for grants sub-  
16       mitted during the first fiscal year that begins after the  
17       date that is 2 years after the date of enactment of this  
18       Act.

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