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# H. R. 9204

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. SUBRAMANYAM (for himself, Ms. NORTON, Mr. LYNCH, Mr. LIEU, and Mr. GOLDMAN of New York) 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 “Gun Safety Innovation  
5 Opportunity Act of 2026”.

6 **SEC. 2. GUN SAFETY TECHNOLOGY GRANT PROGRAM.**

7 Title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe  
8 Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. 10101 et seq.) is amended  
9 by adding at the end the following new part:

1     **“PART PP—GUN SAFETY TECHNOLOGY GRANT**  
2                                     **PROGRAM**

3     **“SEC. 3061. GRANT AUTHORIZATION.**

4             “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Attorney General is author-  
5 ized to make grants to institutions of higher education and  
6 firearms manufacturers to—

7                     “(1) conduct research on, and develop, tech-  
8 nology that may be used to improve safe firearm  
9 storage devices, including technology that uses bio-  
10 metric data to prevent an unauthorized user from  
11 firing or accessing a firearm; or

12                    “(2) analyze consumer willingness and attitudes  
13 towards, and develop strategies to improve consumer  
14 uptake of, safe firearm storage devices that incor-  
15 porate such technologies.

16             “(b) APPLICATION.—An institution of higher edu-  
17 cation or a firearms manufacturer seeking a grant under  
18 this section shall submit to the Attorney General an appli-  
19 cation at such time, in such manner, and containing such  
20 information as the Attorney General may reasonably re-  
21 quire, including—

22                    “(1) a detailed plan on how the applicant would  
23 use the funding to advance the technology described  
24 in subsection (a);

25                    “(2) a description of how the use of such tech-  
26 nology would enhance community safety; and

1           “(3) a description of how such funding will lead  
2           to greater consumer access to such technology, in-  
3           cluding by lowering of the cost of such technology  
4           for consumers.

5           “(c) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There  
6           is authorized to be appropriated \$10,000,000 to carry out  
7           this section for each of fiscal years 2027 through 2030.

8           “(d) REPORT.—On an annual basis, each recipient  
9           of a grant under this section shall submit to the Attorney  
10          General a report on how the grant funds were used.

11          “(e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

12           “(1) The term ‘safe firearm storage device’  
13          means a device that is—

14           “(A) designed and marketed for the prin-  
15           cipal purpose of denying unauthorized access to,  
16           or rendering inoperable, a firearm or ammuni-  
17           tion;

18           “(B) secured by a combination lock, key  
19           lock, or lock based on biometric information  
20           which is integrated into the design of the de-  
21           vice; and

22           “(C) once locked—

23           “(i) in the case of a device not inte-  
24           grated into a firearm, is incapable of being

1 opened without the combination, key, or bi-  
2 ometric information, respectively; or

3 “(ii) in the case of a device integrated  
4 into a firearm, renders the firearm inoper-  
5 able without the application of authorized  
6 information, including biometric informa-  
7 tion.

8 “(2) The terms ‘firearm’ and ‘ammunition’  
9 have the meanings given such terms in section 921  
10 of title 18, United States Code (without regard to all  
11 that follows ‘firearm silencer’ in paragraph (3) of  
12 such section).”.

13 **SEC. 3. REPORT.**

14 Not later than one year after the date of enactment  
15 of this Act, the Attorney General shall submit to Congress  
16 a report on the following:

17 (1) Ways that Congress can assist in the devel-  
18 opment of new technology that improves safe fire-  
19 arm storage devices (as such term is defined in sec-  
20 tion 3061 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe  
21 Streets Act of 1968).

22 (2) Ways that law enforcement officers can de-  
23 ploy such technology in the course of their official  
24 duties.

- 1           (3) Ways that such technology and safe firearm
- 2           storage devices can be used to prevent self-harm and
- 3           suicide attempts.

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