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To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to provide funding to secure nonprofit facilities from terrorist attacks, and for other purposes.

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A BILL

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funding to secure nonprofit facilities from terrorist attacks, and for other purposes.

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 “Securing American
5 Nonprofit Organizations Against Terrorism Act of 2019”.

6 **SEC. 2. NONPROFIT SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subtitle A of title XX of the
8 Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 601 et seq.)
9 is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

10 **“SEC. 2009. NONPROFIT SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM.**

11 “(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established in the
12 Department a program to be known as the ‘Nonprofit Se-
13 curity Grant Program’ (in this section referred to as the
14 ‘Program’). Under the Program, the Secretary, acting
15 through the Administrator, shall make grants to eligible
16 nonprofit organizations described in subsection (b),
17 through the State in which such organizations are located,
18 for target hardening and other security enhancements to
19 protect against terrorist attacks.

20 “(b) ELIGIBLE RECIPIENTS.—Eligible nonprofit or-
21 ganizations described in this subsection (a) are organiza-
22 tions that are—

1 “(1) described in section 501(c)(3) of the Inter-
2 nal Revenue Code of 1986 and exempt from tax
3 under section 501(a) of such Code; and

4 “(2) determined to be at risk of a terrorist at-
5 tack by the Administrator.

6 “(c) PERMITTED USES.—The recipient of a grant
7 under this section may use such grant for any of the fol-
8 lowing uses:

9 “(1) Target hardening activities, including
10 physical security enhancement equipment and in-
11 spection and screening systems.

12 “(2) Fees for security training relating to phys-
13 ical security and cybersecurity, target hardening,
14 terrorism awareness, and employee awareness.

15 “(3) Any other appropriate activity, including
16 cybersecurity resilience activities, as determined by
17 the Administrator.

18 “(d) PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE.—The Adminis-
19 trator shall make funds provided under this section avail-
20 able for use by a recipient of a grant for a period of not
21 less than 36 months.

22 “(e) REPORT.—The Administrator shall annually for
23 each of fiscal years 2020 through 2024 submit to the
24 Committee on Homeland Security of the House of Rep-
25 resentatives and the Committee on Homeland Security

1 and Governmental Affairs of the Senate a report con-
2 taining information on the expenditure by each grant re-
3 cipient of grant funds made under this section.

4 “(f) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—

5 “(1) IN GENERAL.—There is authorized to be
6 appropriated \$75,000,000 for each of fiscal years
7 2020 through 2024 to carry out this section.

8 “(2) SPECIFICATION.—Of the amounts author-
9 ized to be appropriated pursuant to paragraph (1)—

10 “(A) \$50,000,000 is authorized for eligible
11 recipients located in jurisdictions that receive
12 funding under section 2003; and

13 “(B) \$25,000,000 is authorized for eligible
14 recipients in jurisdictions not receiving funding
15 under section 2003.”.

16 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Subsection (a) of
17 section 2002 of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6
18 U.S.C. 603) is amended by striking “sections 2003 and
19 2004” and inserting “sections 2003, 2004, and 2009”.

20 (c) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of contents
21 in section 1(b) of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 is
22 amended by inserting after the item relating to section
23 2008 the following new item:

“Sec. 2009. Nonprofit security grant program.”

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