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To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to authorize the use of Homeland Security Grant Program funds for anti-blood loss purposes, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. HASTINGS (for himself, Mr. WENSTRUP, and Ms. JACKSON LEE) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Homeland Security

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 “Prevent Blood Loss
5 with Emergency Equipment Devices Act of 2019” or the
6 “Prevent BLEEDing Act of 2019”.

1 **SEC. 2. USE OF HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM**
2 **FUNDS FOR ANTI-BLOOD LOSS PURPOSES.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 2002 of the Homeland
4 Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 603) is amended by adding
5 at the end the following new subsection:

6 “(d) ANTI-BLOOD LOSS GRANTS.—

7 “(1) IN GENERAL.—A grant under section 2003
8 or 2004 may be used for any of the following pur-
9 poses:

10 “(A) To purchase or distribute anti-blood
11 loss supplies for use in medical emergencies in
12 a place where people gather.

13 “(B) To provide training on the proper use
14 of anti-blood loss supplies to appropriate per-
15 sons for the purpose of enhancing public safety.

16 “(C) To make grants to an eligible entity
17 for a purpose described in subparagraph (A) or
18 (B).

19 “(2) PRIORITY IN AWARDING GRANTS.—Subject
20 to the availability of funds, any State, local, or tribal
21 government or high-risk urban area that applies for
22 a grant under section 2003 or 2004 for a purpose
23 described in paragraph (1) shall be awarded such
24 grant. The Secretary shall allocate funds made avail-
25 able under this subsection by a formula developed by
26 the Secretary for such purpose that takes into con-

1 sideration the relative populations of each geo-
2 graphic area for which a grant is made.

3 “(3) OUTREACH.—The Secretary shall conduct
4 outreach to inform State, local, and tribal govern-
5 ments and high-risk urban areas that apply for
6 grants under sections 2003 and 2004 of the avail-
7 ability of funds under this subsection.

8 “(4) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection:

9 “(A) The term ‘anti-blood loss supplies’
10 means tourniquets, gauze, wound-packing mate-
11 rials, hemostatic dressings, gloves, markers, or
12 other appropriate materials.

13 “(B) The term ‘eligible entity’ means an
14 entity that—

15 “(i) does not use anti-blood loss sup-
16 plies in the ordinary course of business;
17 and

18 “(ii) certifies as part of a grant appli-
19 cation process that the entity intends to
20 place anti-blood loss supplies procured
21 using the grant in locations where the
22 equipment is immediately available for
23 public use when needed, such as with a
24 publicly displayed automated external
25 defibrillator.”.

1 (b) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—In addi-
2 tion to amounts otherwise authorized to be appropriated
3 for sections 2002, 2003, and 2004 of the Homeland Secu-
4 rity Act of 2002, there is authorized to be appropriated
5 \$10,000,000, to remain available until expended, to make
6 grants under subsection (d) of section 2002 of such Act.

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