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2D SESSION

# H. R. 8146

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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## AN ACT

To require a report by the Attorney General on the impact the border crisis is having on law enforcement at the Federal, State, local, and Tribal level.

1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2       This Act may be cited as the “Police Our Border  
3 Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

5       Congress finds as follows:

6           (1) Our Federal, State, local, and Tribal law  
7       enforcement officers put their lives on the line each  
8       day in order to protect our country and serve their  
9       communities.

10          (2) According to the National Law Enforce-  
11       ment Officer Memorial Fund, 136 law enforcement  
12       officers died in the line-of-duty in 2023.

13          (3) Congress should do everything in its power  
14       to support law enforcement officers at every level  
15       and in every part of our nation.

16          (4) The southwest border crisis created by the  
17       Biden Administration has made every state a border  
18       state.

19          (5) The Biden border crisis has placed a burden  
20       on law enforcement agencies across the nation and  
21       has placed a significant strain on the resources that  
22       are critical to keeping communities safe.

23          (6) Law enforcement officers in every state are  
24       put in life-threatening scenarios as a direct result of  
25       the open borders.

1           (7) Law enforcement has been forced to deal  
2           with the influx of fentanyl and many officers are ex-  
3           posed to the drug while on duty.

4           (8) It is in the best interest of law enforcement  
5           officers and the communities they serve for Congress  
6           to pass, and the President to sign into law, strong  
7           border security legislation, and for the President to  
8           utilize long standing authorities, including under  
9           section 212(f) of the Immigration and Nationality  
10          Act (8 U.S.C. 1182(f)), to secure the southern bor-  
11          der.

12 **SEC. 3. REPORT.**

13          Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment  
14          of this Act, the Attorney General shall submit to Congress  
15          a report on the impact the Biden border crisis is having  
16          on law enforcement officers at the Federal, State, local,  
17          and Tribal level, including—

18                (1) the estimated dollar amount of all resources  
19                devoted to addressing the Biden border crisis, and  
20                the extent to which such resources are not available  
21                to law enforcement agencies;

22                (2) the exposure of law enforcement officers to  
23                fentanyl resulting from encounters with illegal aliens  
24                at the border and in the United States, and the na-  
25                tionality of each such alien;

Attest: KEVIN F. MCCUMBER,  
*Clerk.*