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H. R. 3621

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 29, 2025

Mr. BELL (for himself, Ms. NORTON, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Ms. BUDZINSKI, Mr. FIELDS, and Ms. ANSARI) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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 “Public Safety and
5 Mental Health Reporting Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. ACQUISITION OF DATA ABOUT INTERACTIONS OF**
2 **LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS WITH PEOPLE**
3 **WITH MENTAL ILLNESS.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Under the authority of section
5 534 of title 28, United States Code, the Attorney General,
6 in consultation with the Secretary of Health and Human
7 Services, shall acquire data, for each calendar year, on
8 interactions of law enforcement officers with people with
9 mental illness.

10 (b) GUIDELINES.—The Attorney General, in con-
11 sultation with the Secretary of Health and Human Serv-
12 ices or the Assistant Secretary of the Substance Abuse
13 and Mental Health Services Administration, shall estab-
14 lish guidelines for the collection of such data.

15 (c) USES OF DATA.—Data acquired under this sec-
16 tion shall be used only for research or statistical purposes
17 and may not contain any information that may reveal the
18 identity of an individual victim of a crime.

19 (d) ANNUAL PUBLICATION.—The Attorney General
20 shall submit to Congress and make publicly available an
21 annual summary of the data acquired under this section.

22 (e) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
23 are authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be
24 necessary to carry out the provisions of this section for
25 each of fiscal years 2026 through 2036.

1 (f) DEFINITION.—The term “mental illness” has the
2 meaning given such term in section 2991(a)(7) of the Om-
3 nibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34
4 U.S.C. 10651(a)(7)).

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