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# S. 4079

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 12, 2026

Mr. GALLEGO (for himself, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. KELLY, and Mr. McCORMICK) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

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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 “Providing Emotional  
5 Assistance with Relief and Love Act” or the “PEARL  
6 Act”.

7 **SEC. 2. CBP SUPPORT DOG PILOT PROGRAM.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 60 days after the  
9 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Home-

1 land Security, acting through the Commissioner of U.S.  
2 Customs and Border Protection (CBP), shall establish in  
3 CBP a pilot program to adopt dogs from local animal shel-  
4 ters to be trained as support dogs for CBP's Support Ca-  
5 nine Program.

6 (b) DURATION.—The pilot program under subsection  
7 (a) shall terminate three years after the date of its estab-  
8 lishment.

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