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S. 5261

To amend the Federal Fire Prevention and Control Act of 1974 to make available under the assistance to firefighters grant program the establishment of cancer prevention programs, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. BOOKER introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

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 “Firefighter Invest-
5 ments to Recognize Exposure to Cancer Act of 2026” or
6 the “FIRE Cancer Act of 2026”.

1 **SEC. 2. CANCER PREVENTION PROGRAMS FOR FIRE-**
 2 **FIGHTERS.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 33 of the Federal Fire
 4 Prevention and Control Act of 1974 (15 U.S.C. 2229) is
 5 amended—

6 (1) in subsection (c)(3)—

7 (A) by redesignating subparagraphs (F)
 8 through (N) as subparagraphs (G) through (O),
 9 respectively; and

10 (B) by inserting after subparagraph (E)
 11 the following new subparagraph:

12 “(F) To establish cancer prevention pro-
 13 grams for firefighting personnel, including pro-
 14 viding multi-cancer early detection testing or
 15 other forms of preventative tests.”;

16 (2) in subsection (i), by adding at the end the
 17 following new paragraph:

18 “(4) MAXIMUM AMOUNT FOR CERTAIN CANCER
 19 TESTS.—Not more than \$1,750 from available grant
 20 funds under subsection (c)(3)(F) may be obligated
 21 and expended for each multi-cancer early detection
 22 test or other form of preventative test.”;

23 (3) in subsection (q), by adding at the end the
 24 following new paragraph:

1 “(4) CANCER PREVENTION PROGRAMS.—There
2 is authorized to be appropriated \$700,000,000 for
3 grants under subsection (c)(3)(F).”;

4 (4) by redesignating subsection (r) as sub-
5 section (s); and

6 (5) by inserting after subsection (q) the fol-
7 lowing new subsection:

8 “(r) CANCER RESEARCH.—The Administrator of
9 FEMA and the Director of the Centers for Disease Con-
10 trol and Prevention shall jointly establish a voluntary pro-
11 gram through which firefighting personnel may share with
12 the Centers results of multi-cancer early detection testing
13 or other forms of preventative tests in order to identify
14 any trends or causes of cancer in such personnel. Any such
15 results shall be shared in an anonymized, de-identified
16 manner that safeguards the personally identifiable infor-
17 mation of such personnel in order to prevent attribution
18 to any such personnel of any such shared results.”.

19 (b) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—
20 Section 33(i) of the Federal Fire Prevention and Control
21 Act of 1974 (15 U.S.C. 2229(i)) is amended—

22 (1) in paragraph (1), by striking “described in
23 subsection (c)(3)(F)” and inserting “described in
24 subsection (c)(3)(G)”;

- 1 (2) in paragraph (3), by striking “subsection
- 2 (c)(3)(G)” and inserting “subsection (c)(3)(H)”.

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