H. R. 1043

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

March 12, 1997

Mr. Luther (for himself, Mr. McGovern, Mr. Schiff, Mr. Filner, Ms. Rivers, Mr. Edwards, Mr. Bishop, Ms. McKinney, and Mr. Evans) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on National 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 "Help Equip Local Po-
- 5 lice Act".

1	SEC. 2. PROCUREMENT BY STATE AND LOCAL LAW EN-
2	FORCEMENT AGENCIES OF LAW ENFORCE-
3	MENT EQUIPMENT THROUGH DEPARTMENT
4	OF DEFENSE.
5	Section 381 of title 10, United States Code, is
6	amended—
7	(1) by redesignating subsection (d) as sub-
8	section (e); and
9	(2) by inserting after subsection (c) the follow-
10	ing new subsection:
11	"(d) Temporary Procurement of Other Law
12	Enforcement Equipment.—(1) The Secretary of De-
13	fense shall expand the procedures established under sub-
14	section (a) for the purchase of law enforcement equipment
15	suitable for counter-drug activities to include law enforce-
16	ment equipment that is not suitable or intended for
17	counter-drug activities. The catalog maintained under sub-
18	section (c) shall be expanded to include law enforcement
19	equipment authorized for procurement under this sub-
20	section.
21	"(2) Law enforcement equipment authorized for pro-
22	curement under this subsection by State and local govern-
23	ments may not include any equipment that the Depart-
24	ment of Defense does not procure for its own purposes.
25	"(3) The expanded procurement authority provided
26	under this subsection shall expire at the end of the two-

- 1 year period beginning on the date of the enactment of this
- 2 subsection. However, after the expiration date, the Sec-
- 3 retary may continue to process requests received under

4 this subsection before that date.".

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