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To provide for the establishment of a School Security Technology Center and to authorize grants for local school security programs, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. BINGAMAN introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

A BILL

- To provide for the establishment of a School Security Technology Center and to authorize grants for local school security programs, and for other purposes.
 - 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 "Safe School Security

5 Act of 1999".

6 SEC. 2. ESTABLISHMENT OF SCHOOL SECURITY TECH7 NOLOGY CENTER.

8 (a) School Security Technology Center.—

1 (1) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Attorney General, 2 the Secretary of Education, and the Secretary of 3 Energy shall enter into an agreement for the estab-4 lishment at the Sandia National Laboratories, in 5 partnership with the National Law Enforcement and 6 Corrections Technology Center—Southeast, of a cen-7 ter to be known as the "School Security Technology 8 Center". The School Security Technology Center 9 shall be administered by the Attorney General. 10 (2) FUNCTIONS.—The School Security Tech-11 nology Center shall be a resource to local edu-12 cational agencies for school security assessments, se-13 curity technology development, technology avail-14 ability and implementation, and technical assistance 15 relating to improving school security. 16 (b) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section— 17 18 (1) \$2,850,000 for fiscal year 2000; 19 (2) \$2,950,000 for fiscal year 2001; and 20 (3) \$3,050,000 for fiscal year 2002. 21 SEC. 3. GRANTS FOR LOCAL SCHOOL SECURITY PRO-22 GRAMS. 23 Subpart 1 of part A of title IV of the Elementary 24 and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 7111 25 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following:

1 "SEC. 4119. LOCAL SCHOOL SECURITY PROGRAMS.

2 "(a) IN GENERAL.—

3 "(1) GRANTS AUTHORIZED.—From amounts 4 appropriated under subsection (c), the Secretary 5 shall award grants on a competitive basis to local 6 educational agencies to enable the agencies to ac-7 quire security technology for, or carry out activities 8 related to improving security at, the middle and sec-9 ondary schools served by the agencies, including ob-10 taining school security assessments, and technical 11 assistance, for the development of a comprehensive 12 school security plan from the School Security Tech-13 nology Center.

"(2) APPLICATION.—To be eligible to receive a
grant under this section, a local educational agency
shall submit to the Secretary an application in such
form and containing such information as the Secretary may require, including information relating to
the security needs of the agency.

"(3) PRIORITY.—In awarding grants under this
section, the Secretary shall give priority to local educational agencies that demonstrate the highest security needs, as reported by the agency in the application submitted under paragraph (2).

25 "(b) APPLICABILITY.—The provisions of this part26 (other than this section) shall not apply to this section.

"(c) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
 is authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section
 \$10,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2000, 2001, and
 2002.".

5 SEC. 4. SAFE AND SECURE SCHOOL ADVISORY REPORT.

Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment
of this Act, the Attorney General, in consultation with the
8 Secretary of Education and the Secretary of Energy, or
9 their designees, shall—

10 (1) develop a proposal to further improve school11 security; and

12 (2) submit that proposal to Congress.

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