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# H. R. 4027

To provide grants for law enforcement training and equipment to combat  
methamphetamine labs.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. BAIRD (for himself, Mr. BEREUTER, Mr. BOSWELL, Mr. CALVERT, Mr. CANNON, Mr. CARSON of Oklahoma, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. DICKS, Mr. DOOLEY of California, Ms. DUNN of Washington, Mr. FARR of California, Mr. INSLEE, Mr. LARSEN of Washington, Mr. OSE, Mr. SMITH of Washington, and Mrs. WILSON of New Mexico) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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## A BILL

To provide grants for law enforcement training and  
equipment to combat methamphetamine labs.

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 “Methamphetamine  
5       Protective Equipment and Training Partnership Grant  
6       Act of 2002”.

1 **SEC. 2. MATCHING GRANT PROGRAM FOR LAW ENFORCE-**  
2 **MENT TRAINING AND EQUIPMENT TO COM-**  
3 **BAT METHAMPHETAMINE LABS.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Title I of the Omnibus Crime  
5 Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 3711  
6 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following  
7 new part:

8 **“PART CC—MATCHING GRANT PROGRAM FOR**  
9 **LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING AND EQUIP-**  
10 **MENT TO COMBAT METHAMPHETAMINE**  
11 **LABS**

12 **“SEC. 2901. PROGRAM AUTHORIZED.**

13 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Director of the Bureau of  
14 Justice Assistance is authorized to make grants to States,  
15 units of local government, and Indian tribes to provide,  
16 to State, local, and tribal law enforcement officers, protec-  
17 tive equipment and training for use in investigating and  
18 responding to offenses related to methamphetamine clan-  
19 destine drug laboratories.

20 “(b) USES OF FUNDS.—Grants awarded under this  
21 section shall be—

22 “(1) distributed directly to the State, unit of  
23 local government, or Indian tribe; and

24 “(2) used to provide, to law enforcement offi-  
25 cers in the jurisdiction of the grantee—

1                   “(A) protective equipment specified in sub-  
2                   section (a); or

3                   “(B) training specified in subsection (a),  
4                   but only if such training is carried out by a pro-  
5                   gram certified by the Federal Government or by  
6                   the grantee’s State.

7           “(c) MATCHING FUNDS.—

8                   “(1) IN GENERAL.—The portion of the costs of  
9                   a program provided by a grant under subsection  
10                  (a)—

11                   “(A) may not exceed 50 percent; and

12                   “(B) shall equal 50 percent, if such grant  
13                   is to a unit of local government with fewer than  
14                   100,000 residents.

15           “(d) ALLOCATION TO SMALL JURISDICTIONS.—Not  
16 less than 50 percent of the amounts granted under this  
17 section in a fiscal year shall be granted in a manner that  
18 provides such training or equipment to law enforcement  
19 officers of communities with fewer than 100,000 residents.

20           “(e) PREFERENTIAL CONSIDERATION.—In awarding  
21 grants under this part, the Director of the Bureau of Jus-  
22 tice Assistance may give preferential consideration, if fea-  
23 sible, to an application from a jurisdiction that—

1           “(1)(A) has the greatest need for protective  
2       equipment and methamphetamine clandestine drug  
3       laboratory training; and

4           “(B) has a methamphetamine clandestine drug  
5       laboratory-related seizures per capita rate at or  
6       above the national average as determined by the Na-  
7       tional Clandestine Laboratory Database of the El  
8       Paso Intelligence Center (known as EPIC); or

9           “(2) has consolidated local law enforcement ef-  
10      fort by creating multijurisdictional law taskforces.

11      “(f) ALLOCATION OF FUNDS.—Funds available  
12      under this part shall be awarded, without regard to sub-  
13      section (e), to each qualifying unit of local government  
14      with fewer than 100,000 residents. Any remaining funds  
15      available under this part shall be awarded to other quali-  
16      fying applicants.

17      **“SEC. 2902. APPLICATIONS.**

18      “(a) IN GENERAL.—To request a grant under this  
19      part, the chief executive of a State, unit of local govern-  
20      ment, or Indian tribe shall submit an application to the  
21      Director of the Bureau of Justice Assistance in such form  
22      and containing such information as the Director may rea-  
23      sonably require.

24      “(b) REGULATIONS.—Not later than 90 days after  
25      the date of the enactment of this part, the Director of

1 the Bureau of Justice Assistance shall promulgate regula-  
2 tions to implement this section (including the information  
3 that must be included and the requirements that the  
4 States, units of local government, and Indian tribes must  
5 meet) in submitting the applications required under this  
6 section.

7 **“SEC. 2903. DEFINITIONS.**

8 “For purposes of this part—

9 “(1) the term ‘State’ means each of the 50  
10 States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth  
11 of Puerto Rico, the United States Virgin Islands,  
12 American Samoa, Guam, and the Northern Mariana  
13 Islands;

14 “(2) the term ‘unit of local government’ means  
15 a county, municipality, town, township, village, par-  
16 ish, borough, or other unit of general government  
17 below the State level;

18 “(3) the term ‘Indian tribe’ has the same mean-  
19 ing as in section 4(e) of the Indian Self-Determina-  
20 tion and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C.  
21 450b(e)); and

22 “(4) the term ‘law enforcement officer’ means  
23 any officer, agent, or employee of a State, unit of  
24 local government, or Indian tribe authorized by law  
25 or by a government agency to engage in or supervise

1 the prevention, detection, or investigation of any vio-  
2 lation of criminal law, or authorized by law to super-  
3 vise sentenced criminal offenders.”.

4 (b) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Section  
5 1001(a) of such Act (42 U.S.C. 3793) is amended by add-  
6 ing at the end the following new paragraph:

7 “(25) There are authorized to be appropriated to  
8 carry out part CC, \$25,000,000 for each of fiscal years  
9 2003 through 2005.”.

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