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To enhance authorities relating to emergency preparedness grants.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

DECEMBER 13, 2001

Mr. CLELAND (for himself, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, and Mr. WYDEN) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

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 “Heroic Emergency Re-
5 sponse Operations Act” or “HERO Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. ENHANCEMENT OF EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS**
7 **GRANTS.**

8 (a) SECURITY TRAINING FOR TRANSPORTATION OF
9 HAZARDOUS MATERIAL.—Subsection (i) of section 5116
10 of title 49, United States Code, is amended—

1 (1) in paragraph (2), by striking “and” at the
2 end;

3 (2) in paragraph (3), by striking the period at
4 the end and inserting “; and”; and

5 (3) by adding at the end the following:

6 “(4) to develop minimum national standards
7 for, and to develop and conduct, security training re-
8 lating to the transportation of hazardous material in
9 commerce, except that not more than 5 percent of
10 the amount in the account available in any fiscal
11 year may be used for activities under this para-
12 graph.”.

13 (b) AMOUNT AVAILABLE FOR SUPPLEMENTAL
14 TRAINING GRANTS.—Subsection (j) of that section is
15 amended by adding at the end the following new para-
16 graph:

17 “(6) The amount made available each fiscal
18 year from the account under subsection (i)(1) for
19 grants under this subsection shall be \$1,000,000.”.

20 (c) AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS GENERALLY.—Not-
21 withstanding any limitation in section 5127 of title 49,
22 United States Code, or in any appropriations Act (includ-
23 ing any appropriations Act enacted after the date of the
24 enactment of this Act), all fees collected pursuant to sec-
25 tion 5108 of that title, including any fees collected before

1 the date of the enactment of this Act that remain available
2 for obligation, shall be available for obligation, without
3 further appropriation in accordance with section 5116(i)
4 of that title, as amended by subsection (a).

