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H. R. 3726

To authorize the grant program under which the Secretary of Homeland Security makes discretionary grants for use in high-threat, high-density urban areas, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. WEINER introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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 “Targeting Homeland Secu-
5 rity Resources Effectively Against Terrorism Act of 2004”
6 or the “THREAT Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. PROGRAM OF GRANTS FOR USE IN HIGH-THREAT,**
2 **HIGH-DENSITY URBAN AREAS.**

3 (a) GRANT PROGRAM.—From amounts made avail-
4 able to the Secretary of Homeland Security for discre-
5 tionary grants for use in high-threat, high-density urban
6 areas, the Secretary shall carry out a program under
7 which the Secretary makes such grants in accordance with
8 this section.

9 (b) MAXIMUM NUMBER OF GRANTEES.—For any fis-
10 cal year, the Secretary may award such grants to not more
11 than 15 such areas.

12 (c) FACTORS CONSIDERED.—In determining wheth-
13 er, and in what allocation, to award such a grant to such
14 an area, the Secretary shall consider the following three
15 factors:

16 (1) The population of that urban area.

17 (2) The presence of critical infrastructure in
18 that urban area.

19 (3) The credibility of the threat to that urban
20 area.

21 (d) WEIGHT OF FACTORS.—In considering the fac-
22 tors required by subsection (c), the Secretary shall give
23 the factor described in subsection (c)(2) two times the
24 weight given the factor described in subsection (c)(1), and
25 shall give the factor described in subsection (c)(3) three

1 times the weight given the factor described in subsection
2 (c)(1).

3 (e) DEFINITION OF FACTORS.—The Secretary shall,
4 for purposes of this section, define the factors required
5 by subsection (c). In defining the factor described in sub-
6 section (c)(1), the Secretary shall ensure that tourists and
7 commuters are considered as part of the population.

8 (f) DISBURSEMENT DIRECTLY TO LOCALITIES.—All
9 amounts awarded to an area under this section shall be
10 disbursed directly to one or more local governments within
11 the area.

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