109TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

H. R. 4828

To provide grants to units of local government and States to hire personnel to monitor the activities of sex offenders.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

March 1, 2006

Mr. Boswell introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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 "Cops for Kids Act".
- 5 SEC. 2. GRANT PROGRAM.
- 6 (a) In General.—The Attorney General may make
- 7 grants to States and units of local government to develop
- 8 programs to hire personnel to monitor the activities of sex
- 9 offenders in the community.

1	(b) Priority.—In awarding a grant under this Act,
2	the Attorney General shall give priority to a unit of local
3	government or State with the greatest need as determined
4	by the number of sex offenders in such unit of local gov-
5	ernment or State.
6	(c) Matching Funds.—To be eligible to receive a
7	grant under this Act, A State or unit of local government
8	shall contribute not less than 50 percent of the costs of
9	developing a sex offender monitoring program, including
10	hiring personnel and providing training.
11	SEC. 3. USES OF FUNDS.
12	A grant awarded under this Act may be used to de-
13	velop a monitoring program of sex offenders, including—
14	(1) hiring personnel;
15	(2) developing training programs for such per-
16	sonnel; and
17	(3) purchasing equipment for the program.
18	SEC. 4. DEFINITION.
19	For purposes of this Act—
20	(1) the term "sex offender" means an indi-
21	vidual required by law to register as a sex offender;
22	(2) the term "State" means each of the fifty
23	States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the
24	United States Virgin Islands, the Commonwealth of

- 1 the Northern Mariana Islands, Guam, and American
- 2 Samoa; and
- 3 (3) the term "unit of local government" means
- 4 any city, county, township, town, borough, parish,
- 5 village, or other general purpose political subdivision
- 6 of a State.

7 SEC. 5. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

- 8 There are authorized to be appropriated \$50,000,000
- 9 for each of fiscal years 2007 through 2012 to carry out
- 10 this Act.

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