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S. 1407

To provide grants to States and local governments to assess the effectiveness of sexual predator electronic monitoring programs.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JULY 14, 2005

Mr. NELSON of Florida (for himself and Mrs. CLINTON) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and 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 “Jessica Lunsford and
5 Sarah Lunde Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. SEXUAL PREDATOR MONITORING PROGRAM.**

7 (a) GRANTS AUTHORIZED.—

8 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Attorney General is au-
9 thorized to award grants (referred to as “Jessica

1 Lunsford and Sarah Lunde Grants”) to State and
2 local governments to assist such States and local
3 governments in—

4 (A) carrying out programs to outfit sexual
5 offenders with electronic monitoring units; and

6 (B) the employment of law enforcement of-
7 ficials necessary to carry out such programs.

8 (2) DURATION.—The Secretary shall award
9 grants under this Act for a period not to exceed 3
10 years.

11 (b) APPLICATION.—

12 (1) IN GENERAL.—Each State or local govern-
13 ment desiring a grant under this Act shall submit an
14 application to the Attorney General at such time, in
15 such manner, and accompanied by such information
16 as the Attorney General may reasonably require.

17 (2) CONTENTS.—Each application submitted
18 pursuant to paragraph (1) shall—

19 (A) describe the activities for which assist-
20 ance under this Act is sought; and

21 (B) provide such additional assurances as
22 the Attorney General determines to be essential
23 to ensure compliance with the requirements of
24 this Act.

1 **SEC. 3. INNOVATION.**

2 In making grants under this Act, the Attorney Gen-
3 eral shall ensure that different approaches to monitoring
4 are funded to allow an assessment of effectiveness.

5 **SEC. 4. DEFINITION.**

6 In this Act, the term “sexual offender” means an of-
7 fender 18 years of age or older who commits a sexual of-
8 fense against a minor.

9 **SEC. 5. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

10 (a) IN GENERAL.—There are authorized to be appro-
11 priated \$10,000,000 for each of the fiscal years 2006
12 through 2008 to carry out this Act.

13 (b) REPORT.—Not later than April 1, 2008, the At-
14 torney General shall report to Congress—

15 (1) assessing the effectiveness and value of pro-
16 grams funded by this Act;

17 (2) comparing the cost-effectiveness of the elec-
18 tronic monitoring to reduce sex offenses compared to
19 other alternatives; and

20 (3) making recommendations for continuing
21 funding and the appropriate levels for such funding.

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