

110TH CONGRESS  
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# H. R. 3766

To assist local governments in conducting gun buyback programs.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 4, 2007

Ms. NORTON introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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# 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 “Nationwide Gun  
5 Buyback Act of 2007”.

6 **SEC. 2. GRANT PROGRAM.**

7       (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Housing and  
8 Urban Development may make grants to units of local  
9 government to conduct gun buyback programs.

10       (b) REDUCTION OF INCIDENCE OF GUN VIOLENCE  
11       TO BE GIVEN GREAT WEIGHT.—In assessing applications

1 for grants under this Act, the Secretary shall give greater  
2 weight to the incidence of gun violence and the need to  
3 reduce the availability of guns in the jurisdictions involved  
4 than to any other factors.

5 (c) USE OF FUNDS.—A unit of local government to  
6 which a grant is made under this Act shall use the grant  
7 only to conduct a gun buyback program in accordance  
8 with the approved application for the grant.

9 **SEC. 3. APPLICATIONS.**

10 (a) IN GENERAL.—The chief executive of a unit of  
11 local government desiring a grant under this Act shall sub-  
12 mit to the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development  
13 an application for the grant, which shall be in such form  
14 and contain such information as the Secretary may rea-  
15 sonably require.

16 (b) REQUIREMENTS.—An application for a grant  
17 under this Act for a gun buyback program shall contain  
18 assurances from the chief executive of the unit of local  
19 government (after consultation with the local chief of po-  
20 lice or equivalent officer) that—

21 (1) within 60 days after the date the program  
22 collects a gun, the gun will be destroyed or, if the  
23 gun is an inoperable curio or relic with historic sig-  
24 nificance, donated to a museum for display;

6 (c) REGULATIONS.—Not later than 90 days after the  
7 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Hous-  
8 ing and Urban Development shall promulgate regulations  
9 to implement this Act, which shall specify the information  
10 that must be included in an application for a grant under  
11 this Act, and the requirements that units of local govern-  
12 ment must meet to be eligible for such a grant.

## 13 SEC. 4. DEFINITIONS.

## 14 In this Act:

15 (1) GUN.—The term “gun” means a firearm  
16 (as defined in section 921(a)(3) of title 18, United  
17 States Code).

1 **SEC. 5. LIMITATIONS ON AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIA-  
2 TIONS.**

3 For grants under this Act, there are authorized to  
4 be appropriated to the Secretary of Housing and Urban  
5 Development not more than \$100,000,000 for each fiscal  
6 year.

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