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S. 3682

To establish and operate a National Center for Campus Public Safety.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. WARNER (for himself, Mr. KIRK, Mr. WEBB, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. CASEY, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. KERRY, and and MR. DURBIN) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

To establish and operate a National Center for Campus
Public Safety.

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 “Center to Advance,
5 Monitor, and Preserve University Security Safety Act of
6 2012” or the “CAMPUS Safety Act of 2012”.

7 **SEC. 2. NATIONAL CENTER FOR CAMPUS PUBLIC SAFETY.**

8 Title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe
9 Streets Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 3711 et seq.) is amended
10 by adding at the end the following:

1 **“PART LL—NATIONAL CENTER FOR CAMPUS**

2 **PUBLIC SAFETY**

3 **“SEC. 3021. NATIONAL CENTER FOR CAMPUS PUBLIC SAFE-**
4 **TY.**

5 “(a) AUTHORITY TO ESTABLISH AND OPERATE CEN-
6 TER.—

7 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Director of the Office
8 of Community Oriented Policing Services is author-
9 ized to establish and operate a National Center for
10 Campus Public Safety (referred to in this section as
11 the ‘Center’).

12 “(2) GRANT AUTHORITY.—The Director of the
13 Office of Community Oriented Policing Services is
14 authorized to award grants to institutions of higher
15 education and other nonprofit organizations to assist
16 in carrying out the functions of the Center required
17 under subsection (b).

18 “(b) FUNCTIONS OF THE CENTER.—The Center
19 shall—

20 “(1) provide quality education and training for
21 public safety personnel of institutions of higher edu-
22 cation and their collaborative partners, including
23 campus mental health agencies;

24 “(2) foster quality research to strengthen the
25 safety and security of institutions of higher edu-
26 cation;

1 “(3) serve as a clearinghouse for the identifica-
2 tion and dissemination of information, policies, pro-
3 tocols, procedures, and best practices relevant to
4 campus public safety, including off-campus housing
5 safety, the prevention of violence against persons
6 and property, and emergency response and evacu-
7 ation procedures;

8 “(4) coordinate with Attorney General, the Sec-
9 retary of Homeland Security, the Secretary of Edu-
10 cation, State, local and tribal governments and law
11 enforcement agencies, private and nonprofit organi-
12 zations and associations, and other stakeholders, to
13 develop protocols and best practices to prevent, pro-
14 tect against and respond to dangerous and violent
15 situations involving an immediate threat to the safe-
16 ty of the campus community;

17 “(5) promote the development and dissemina-
18 tion of effective behavioral threat assessment and
19 management models to prevent campus violence;

20 “(6) identify campus safety information (includ-
21 ing ways to increase off-campus housing safety) and
22 identify resources available from the Department of
23 Justice, the Department of Homeland Security, the
24 Department of Education, State, local, and tribal

1 governments and law enforcement agencies, and pri-
2 vate and nonprofit organizations and associations;

3 “(7) promote cooperation, collaboration, and
4 consistency in prevention, response, and problem-
5 solving methods among public safety and emergency
6 management personnel of institutions of higher edu-
7 cation and their campus- and non-campus-based col-
8 laborative partners, including law enforcement,
9 emergency management, mental health services, and
10 other relevant agencies;

11 “(8) disseminate standardized formats and
12 models for mutual aid agreements and memoranda
13 of understanding between campus security agencies
14 and other public safety organizations and mental
15 health agencies; and

16 “(9) report annually to Congress and the Attor-
17 ney General on activities performed by the Center
18 during the previous 12 months.

19 “(c) COORDINATION WITH AVAILABLE RE-
20 SOURCES.—In establishing the Center, the Director of the
21 Office of Community Oriented Policing Services shall—

22 “(1) coordinate with the Secretary of Homeland
23 Security, the Secretary of Education, and the Attor-
24 ney General of each State; and

1 “(2) ensure coordination with campus public
2 safety resources within the Department of Homeland
3 Security, including within the Federal Emergency
4 Management Agency, and the Department of Edu-
5 cation.

6 “(d) DEFINITION OF INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDU-
7 CATION.—In this section, the term ‘institution of higher
8 education’ has the meaning given the term in section 101
9 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1001).

10 “(e) FUNDING.—Funding for the implementation of
11 this part shall be through the use of existing excess unobli-
12 gated funds available to the Department of Justice or cost
13 savings through consolidation of duplicative or ineffective
14 programs within the Department of Justice as determined
15 by the Attorney General.”.

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