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S. 351

To prohibit Federal funding of State firearm ownership databases, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

FEBRUARY 6, 2019

Mrs. HYDE-SMITH (for herself, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Ms. ERNST, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. ENZI, Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina, Mr. SULLIVAN, Mr. LEE, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. WICKER, and Mr. ROUNDS) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

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 “Gun Owner Registra-
5 tion Information Protection Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION ON FEDERAL FUNDING OF STATE**
7 **FIREARM OWNERSHIP DATABASES.**

8 (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

1 (1) STATE.—The term “State” means each of
 2 the several States, the District of Columbia, the
 3 Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Commonwealth
 4 of the Northern Mariana Islands, American Samoa,
 5 Guam, the United States Virgin Islands, and any
 6 other territory or possession of the United States.

7 (2) STATE FIREARM OWNERSHIP DATABASE.—
 8 The term “State firearm ownership database”
 9 means a comprehensive or partial database of a
 10 State or political subdivision of a State that lists—

11 (A) firearms lawfully owned or possessed
 12 by individuals; or

13 (B) individuals who lawfully own or pos-
 14 sess firearms.

15 (b) PROHIBITION.—A Federal agency may not fund
 16 or otherwise support the establishment or maintenance of
 17 a State firearm ownership database.

18 (c) EXCEPTION.—Subsection (b) shall not apply to
 19 a database of a State or political subdivision of a State
 20 that lists—

21 (1) firearms that have been reported as lost or
 22 stolen; or

23 (2) individuals who have reported their firearms
 24 as lost or stolen.