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115TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 2188

To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish the major metropolitan area counterterrorism training and exercise grant program, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. MCCAUL introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on _____

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 “Community
5 Counterterrorism Preparedness Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. MAJOR METROPOLITAN AREA**
2 **COUNTERTERRORISM TRAINING AND EXER-**
3 **CISE GRANT PROGRAM.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subtitle A of title XX of the
5 Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 603 et seq.)
6 is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

7 **“SEC. 2009. MAJOR METROPOLITAN AREA**
8 **COUNTERTERRORISM TRAINING AND EXER-**
9 **CISE GRANT PROGRAM.**

10 “(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—

11 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary, acting
12 through the Administrator and the heads of other
13 relevant components of the Department, shall carry
14 out a program for emergency response providers to
15 prevent, prepare for, and respond to emerging ter-
16 rorist attack scenarios, including complex, coordi-
17 nated terrorist attacks and active shooters, as deter-
18 mined by the Secretary, against major metropolitan
19 areas..

20 “(2) INFORMATION.—In establishing the pro-
21 gram pursuant to paragraph (1), the Secretary shall
22 provide to eligible applicants—

23 “(A) information, in an unclassified for-
24 mat, on emerging terrorist attack scenarios, in-
25 cluding complex, coordinated terrorist attacks

1 and active shooters, which grants under such
2 program are intended to address; and

3 “(B) information on training and exercises
4 best practices.

5 “(b) ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS.—

6 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Jurisdictions that receive,
7 or that previously received, funding under section
8 2003 may apply for a grant under the program es-
9 tablished pursuant to subsection (a).

10 “(2) ADDITIONAL JURISDICTIONS.—Eligible ap-
11 plicants receiving funding under the program estab-
12 lished pursuant to subsection (a) may include in ac-
13 tivities funded by such program neighboring jurisdic-
14 tions that would be likely to provide mutual aid in
15 response to emerging terrorist attack scenarios, in-
16 cluding complex, coordinated terrorist attacks and
17 active shooters.

18 “(c) PERMITTED USES.—The recipient of a grant
19 under the program established pursuant to subsection (a)
20 may use such grant to—

21 “(1) identify capability gaps related to pre-
22 paring for, preventing, and responding to emerging
23 terrorist attack scenarios, including complex, coordi-
24 nated terrorist attacks and active shooters;

1 “(2) develop or update plans, annexes, and
2 processes to address any capability gaps identified
3 pursuant to paragraph (1); and

4 “(3) conduct training and exercises to address
5 such identified gaps and validate capabilities.

6 “(d) PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE.—The Adminis-
7 trator shall make funds provided under this section avail-
8 able for use by a recipient of a grant for a period of not
9 fewer than 36 months.

10 “(e) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
11 are authorized to be appropriated for grants under this
12 section \$39,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2018 through
13 2022.”.

14 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of contents
15 in section 1(b) of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 is
16 amended by inserting after the item relating to section
17 2008 the following new item:

 “Sec. 2009. Major metropolitan area counterterrorism training and exercise
 grant program.”.