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H. R. 9227

To direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services to establish and maintain a local gun violence prevention laws database, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. DESAULNIER introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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 “Local Gun Violence
5 Reduction Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. LOCAL GUN VIOLENCE PREVENTION LAWS DATA-**
7 **BASE.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year after the
9 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Health

1 and Human Services, acting through the Director of the
2 Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (in this Act
3 referred to as the “Secretary”), shall establish and main-
4 tain a database in which units of State and local govern-
5 ment (including cities, towns, counties, and special district
6 governments) enter into such database information on—

7 (1) the laws and ordinances such units of gov-
8 ernment have enacted to reduce gun violence; and

9 (2) how successful such laws and ordinances
10 have been in reducing gun violence in the relevant
11 jurisdictions.

12 (b) INFORMATION.—The information included by a
13 State or local government in the database established
14 under subsection (a) with respect to a law or ordinance
15 referred to in such subsection shall include the following
16 information:

17 (1) Information about the size of the unit of
18 government involved.

19 (2) The date on which the law or ordinance was
20 enacted.

21 (3) The date on which the law or ordinance
22 took effect.

23 (4) Data on the rates of gun violence and gun
24 deaths in the unit of government both before and
25 after the law or ordinance took effect.

1 (c) ACCESS.—The database established under sub-
2 section (a) shall be searchable by any State or local unit
3 of government.

4 (d) OUTREACH.—The Secretary shall conduct out-
5 reach to State and local governments to increase aware-
6 ness of the database under subsection (a) and to encour-
7 age such governments to use such database.

8 (e) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Beginning 2 years after
9 the date of the enactment of this section, and every 2
10 years thereafter, the Secretary shall submit to Congress
11 a report specifying, with respect to the database estab-
12 lished under subsection (a)—

13 (1) how many submissions to such database
14 have been received;

15 (2) what common topics are identified in such
16 submissions;

17 (3) which laws or ordinances the reports con-
18 tained in such submissions indicate have been suc-
19 cessful; and

20 (4) any geographic areas within the United
21 States that have high or low participation in the
22 database.

23 (f) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is
24 authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section—

25 (1) \$1,500,000 for fiscal year 2023; and

- 1 (2) \$1,000,000 for fiscal year 2024 and each
- 2 fiscal year thereafter.

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