

119TH CONGRESS
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To amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to provide that grant funds received under the COPS grant program may be used to combat organized crime.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. HARRIGAN 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 “COPS Anti-Organized
5 Crime and Cartel Enforcement Act of 2025”.

1 **SEC. 2. USE OF GRANT FUNDS TO COMBAT ORGANIZED**
2 **CRIME.**

3 (a) GRANT USE.—Section 1701(b) of the Omnibus
4 Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C.
5 10381(b)) is amended—

6 (1) by redesignating paragraph (24) as para-
7 graph (25); and

8 (2) in paragraph (23)—

9 (A) by striking “in accordance with para-
10 graphs (1) through (22)” and inserting “in ac-
11 cordance with paragraphs (1) through (23)”;
12 and

13 (B) by redesignating the paragraph as
14 paragraph (24);

15 (3) by inserting after paragraph (22) the fol-
16 lowing:

17 “(23) to create specialized units dedicated to
18 combatting organized crime, cartel operations, and
19 transnational criminal organization and to

20 “(A) equip such units with advanced inves-
21 tigative and surveillance technology, including
22 by acquiring—

23 “(i) tactical vehicles (as such term is
24 defined in section 328(d)(8) of the James
25 M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization
26 Act for Fiscal Year 2023) for use in the

1 execution of high-risk warrants, raids, or
2 other law enforcement activities in which
3 the danger to officers or civilians is deter-
4 mined to be significant;

5 “(ii) unmanned aerial systems other
6 than—

7 “(I) weaponized drones covered
8 by Department of Defense Directive
9 3000.09; or

10 “(II) unmanned aerial systems
11 from a covered nation (as such term
12 is defined in section 4872 of title 10,
13 United States Code) or manufactured
14 or produced by a covered foreign enti-
15 ty (as such term is defined in section
16 936 of the FAA Reauthorization Act
17 of 2024 (49 U.S.C. 44801 note)).

18 “(iii) ballistic vests, helmets, and fire-
19 arms;

20 “(B) train officers in counter-organized
21 crime tactics and intelligence-gathering meth-
22 ods; and

23 “(C) hire additional law enforcement per-
24 sonnel for these specialized units, including per-
25 sonnel hired to fill positions made vacant by the

1 reassignment of existing officers to such
2 units;”.

3 (b) PRIORITIZATION.—Section 1701(c) of the Omni-
4 bus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34
5 U.S.C. 10381(c)) is amended—

6 (1) in paragraph (2)(C), by striking the “or” at
7 the end;

8 (2) in paragraph (3)(B), by striking the period
9 at the end and inserting “; or”; and

10 (3) by adding at the end the following:

11 “(4) from an applicant in a jurisdiction with a
12 documented high presence of cartel, gang, or
13 transnational criminal activity that certifies that the
14 funds will be used for the purposes set forth in sub-
15 section (b)(25).”.

16 (c) FUNDING.—There are appropriated, in addition
17 to amounts otherwise made available for such purpose,
18 \$50,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2026, 2027, 2028,
19 2029, and 2030, for grants under section 1701 of the Om-
20 nibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968, to the
21 extent that such grants are used for the purposes set forth
22 under subsection (b)(25) of such section, to be derived
23 from amounts rescinded by the Secretary of Labor, as an-
24 nounced in the news release numbered 25-1019-NAT and
25 dated June 13, 2025.

1 (d) RULEMAKING.—Not later than 180 days after the
2 date of enactment of this Act, the Attorney General shall
3 finalize such rules as may be necessary to carry out this
4 Act and the amendments made by this Act.

5 (e) REPORT.—The Attorney General shall report to
6 Congress for each fiscal year that a grant is made under
7 section 1701 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe
8 Streets Act of 1968, to the extent that such grants are
9 used for the purposes set forth under subsection (b)(25)
10 of such section, detailing the uses of all such grant funds
11 and identifying such grantees.