

119TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

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To amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to authorize the use of funds under the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program to establish elder justice task forces, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mrs. MOODY introduced the following bill; which was read twice and 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 “Strengthening Task
5 forces to Oppose Predatory Scams Against Seniors Act”
6 or the “STOP Scams Against Seniors Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. USE OF BYRNE FUNDS FOR ELDER JUSTICE TASK**
2 **FORCES.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 501(a)(1) of title I of the
4 Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34
5 U.S.C. 10152(a)(1)) is amended by adding at the end the
6 following:

7 “(L) Establishment, operation, and imple-
8 mentation of elder justice task forces to address
9 financial exploitation, scams, and fraud that
10 primarily targets individuals who are 60 years
11 of age or older, which task forces may include
12 or coordinate with State and local law enforce-
13 ment agencies, prosecutors, adult protective
14 services professionals, and Federal agencies (in-
15 cluding the Federal Bureau of Investigation,
16 the Federal Trade Commission, the Department
17 of Justice, and the United States Secret Serv-
18 ice).”.

19 (b) REPORTS.—Subpart I of part E of title I of the
20 Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34
21 U.S.C. 10151 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end
22 the following:

23 **“SEC. 510. REPORTS ON ELDER JUSTICE TASK FORCES.**

24 “(a) RECIPIENT REPORT.—A recipient of a grant
25 under this part that uses such grant for the purpose de-
26 scribed in subparagraph (L) of section 501(a)(1) shall in-

1 clude along with any other report required to be submitted
2 under this part (except for the reports required under sec-
3 tion 508) the following:

4 “(1) The number of cases initiated by the elder
5 justice task force established using such funds dur-
6 ing the grant period.

7 “(2) The number of cases that were fully inves-
8 tigated and brought to conclusion during such pe-
9 riod.

10 “(3) The number of victims of fraud to whom
11 the elder justice task force provided support, legal
12 assistance, or restitution during such period.

13 “(4) For each victim described in paragraph (3)
14 and case described in paragraph (1), the type of
15 scam and the method the perpetrators used to make
16 initial contact with the victim.

17 “(5) For each victim described in paragraph (3)
18 and case described in paragraph (1), any indicator
19 of organized or transnational criminal involvement.

20 “(b) ATTORNEY GENERAL REPORT.—On an annual
21 basis, the Attorney General shall submit to the Commit-
22 tees on the Judiciary of the House of Representatives and
23 of the Senate a report that contains a summary of the
24 information received under subsection (a).”.