

113TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 1709

To authorize the Attorney General to award grants to eligible entities to prevent or alleviate community violence by providing education, mentoring, and counseling services to children, adolescents, teachers, families, and community leaders on the principles and practice of nonviolence.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 24, 2013

Mr. LEWIS introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce

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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 “Securing American
5 Families by Educating and Training Youth (SAFETY)
6 Through Nonviolence Act of 2013”.

1 **SEC. 2. GRANTS TO EDUCATE AMERICANS ABOUT THE**
2 **PRINCIPLES OF NONVIOLENCE.**

3 (a) GRANTS.—The Attorney General may make
4 grants to eligible entities to prevent or alleviate the effects
5 of community violence by providing education, mentoring,
6 and counseling to youth regarding the principles and ap-
7 plication of nonviolence in conflict resolution.

8 (b) PRIORITY.—In awarding grants under this sec-
9 tion, the Attorney General shall give priority to applicants
10 that agree to use the grant in 1 or more eligible urban,
11 rural, Tribal, and suburban communities that can cer-
12 tify—

13 (1) an increase in community, especially youth
14 violence; and

15 (2) lack the monetary or other resources to ad-
16 dress violence prevention.

17 (c) LIMITATION.—The Attorney General may not
18 make a grant to an eligible entity under this section unless
19 the entity agrees to use not more than 40 percent of such
20 grant for nonviolence-prevention education and program
21 development.

22 (d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section, the term “eligible
23 entity” means a State or local government entity, edu-
24 cational institution, nonprofit, or faith-based organization.

25 (e) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—To carry
26 out this section, there is authorized to be appropriated

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1 \$5,000,000 for each of the fiscal years from 2014 through
2 2019.

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