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**AN ACT**

To establish and operate a National Center for Campus Public Safety.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,***SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

This Act may be cited as the 'Center to Advance, Monitor, and Preserve University Security Safety Act of 2009' or the 'CAMPUS Safety Act of 2009'.

**SEC. 2. NATIONAL CENTER FOR CAMPUS PUBLIC SAFETY.**

Title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 3711 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following new part:

**' PART LL--NATIONAL CENTER FOR CAMPUS PUBLIC SAFETY****' SEC. 3021. NATIONAL CENTER FOR CAMPUS PUBLIC SAFETY.**

' (a) Authority To Establish and Operate Center-

' (1) IN GENERAL- The Director of the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services is authorized to establish and operate a National Center for Campus Public Safety (referred to in this section as the 'Center').

' (2) GRANT AUTHORITY- The Director of the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services is authorized to award grants to institutions of higher education and other nonprofit organizations to assist in carrying out the functions of the Center required under subsection (b).

' (b) Functions of the Center- The Center shall--

' (1) provide quality education and training for campus public safety agencies of institutions of higher education and the agencies' collaborative partners, including campus mental health agencies;

' (2) foster quality research to strengthen the safety and security of institutions of higher education;

' (3) serve as a clearinghouse for the identification and dissemination of information, policies, procedures, and best practices relevant to campus public safety, including off-campus housing safety, the prevention of violence against persons and property, and emergency response and evacuation procedures;

' (4) develop protocols, in conjunction with the Attorney General, the Secretary of Homeland Security, the Secretary of Education, State, local, and tribal governments and law enforcement agencies, private and nonprofit organizations and associations, and other stakeholders, to prevent, protect against, respond to, and recover from, natural and man-made emergencies or dangerous situations involving an immediate threat to the health or safety of the campus community;



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` (5) promote the development and dissemination of effective behavioral threat assessment and management models to prevent campus violence;

` (6) coordinate campus safety information (including ways to increase off-campus housing safety) and resources available from the Department of Justice, the Department of Homeland Security, the Department of Education, State, local, and tribal governments and law enforcement agencies, and private and nonprofit organizations and associations;

` (7) increase cooperation, collaboration, and consistency in prevention, response, and problem-solving methods among law enforcement, mental health, and other agencies and jurisdictions serving institutions of higher education;

` (8) develop standardized formats and models for mutual aid agreements and memoranda of understanding between campus security agencies and other public safety organizations and mental health agencies; and

` (9) report annually to Congress and the Attorney General on activities performed by the Center during the previous 12 months.

` (c) Coordination With Available Resources- In establishing the Center, the Director of the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services shall--

` (1) consult with the Secretary of Homeland Security, the Secretary of Education, and the Attorney General of each State; and

` (2) coordinate the establishment and operation of the Center with campus public safety resources that may be available within the Department of Homeland Security and the Department of Education.

` (d) Definition of Institution of Higher Education- In this section, the term 'institution of higher education' has the meaning given the term in section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1001).

` (e) Authorization of Appropriations- There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section \$2,750,000 for each of the fiscal years 2009 through 2013.'

Passed the House of Representatives February 3, 2009.

Attest:

LORRAINE C. MILLER,

Clerk.

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