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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_

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**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 “School Shooting Safety  
5 and Preparedness Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

2 In this Act:

3 (1) TITLE 18 DEFINITIONS.—The terms “fire-  
4 arm” and “ammunition” have the meanings given  
5 such terms in section 921 of title 18, United States  
6 Code. The term “large capacity ammunition feeding  
7 device” has the meaning given such term in section  
8 921 of title 18, United States Code, as in effect on  
9 September 1, 2004.

10 (2) MASS SHOOTING.—The term “mass shoot-  
11 ing” means a shooting during which three or more  
12 individuals, not including the shooter, were injured  
13 or killed in one location or in multiple locations in  
14 close proximity.

15 (3) SCHOOL.—The term “school” means—

16 (A) an early childhood education program  
17 (as defined in section 103 of the Higher Edu-  
18 cation Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1003));

19 (B) an elementary school (as defined in  
20 section 8101 of the Elementary and Secondary  
21 Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 7801));

22 (C) a secondary school (as defined in sec-  
23 tion 8101 of the Elementary and Secondary  
24 Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 7801)); and

1 (D) an institution of higher education (as  
2 defined in section 102 of the Higher Education  
3 Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1002)).

4 (4) SCHOOL SHOOTING.—The term “school  
5 shooting” means an event or occurrence—

6 (A) during which one or more individuals  
7 were injured or killed by a firearm; and

8 (B) that occurred—

9 (i) in, or on the grounds of, a school,  
10 even if before or after school hours;

11 (ii) while the victim was traveling to  
12 or from a regular session at school; or

13 (iii) while the victim was attending or  
14 traveling to or from an official school spon-  
15 sored event.

16 **SEC. 3. ANNUAL REPORT ON INDICATORS OF SCHOOL**  
17 **CRIME AND SAFETY.**

18 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Education, in  
19 consultation with the Attorney General and the Secretary  
20 of Health and Human Services, shall publish not less fre-  
21 quently than on an annual basis a report on indicators  
22 of school crime and safety. Such report shall be produced  
23 by the National Center for Education Statistics of the De-  
24 partment of Education in consultation with the Bureau  
25 of Justice Statistics of the Department of Justice. Such

1 report shall include, at a minimum, an updated version  
2 of the information provided in the National Center for  
3 Education Statistics report NCES 2022–144 issued in  
4 May 2022, and the data described in subsections (b) and  
5 (d).

6 (b) STATISTICS ON SCHOOL SHOOTINGS.—In col-  
7 lecting data on school shootings to be compiled in the an-  
8 nual report described in subsection (a), the National Cen-  
9 ter for Education Statistics shall collect at a minimum the  
10 following data annually:

11 (1) The number of school shootings that have  
12 taken place nationwide.

13 (2) Of the school shootings described in para-  
14 graph (1), the number that were mass shootings.

15 (3) Of the school shootings described in para-  
16 graph (1), the number that were suicides.

17 (4) Of the school shootings described in para-  
18 graph (1), the number that were accidents.

19 (5) The number of people killed in each school  
20 shooting, including—

21 (A) the number of people whose cause of  
22 death was attributable to wound by firearm;  
23 and

24 (B) the number of people having some  
25 other cause of death.

1           (6) The number of people injured in each school  
2 shooting, including—

3           (A) the number of people wounded by fire-  
4 arm; and

5           (B) the number of people injured in some  
6 other manner.

7           (7) The time of the shooting and whether it oc-  
8 curred during school hours.

9           (8) The demographics of each school, includ-  
10 ing—

11           (A) the locale code of the school, as deter-  
12 mined by the Secretary of Education; and

13           (B) student demographic data  
14 disaggregated by—

15           (i) economically disadvantaged stu-  
16 dents as compared to students who are not  
17 economically disadvantaged;

18           (ii) each major racial and ethnic  
19 group;

20           (iii) children with disabilities as com-  
21 pared to children without disabilities; and

22           (iv) English proficiency status.

23           (9) The personal characteristics of each victim  
24 in the shooting, including, at a minimum, the vic-  
25 tim's—

- 1 (A) age;
- 2 (B) gender;
- 3 (C) race;
- 4 (D) ethnicity; and
- 5 (E) nationality.

6 (10) The personal characteristics of the shooter,  
7 including, at a minimum the shooter's—

- 8 (A) age;
- 9 (B) gender;
- 10 (C) race;
- 11 (D) ethnicity;
- 12 (E) nationality; and
- 13 (F) relationship to the school.

14 (11) Whether the shooting was determined to  
15 be an accident, and if not, the motivation of the  
16 shooter, including any real or perceived bias based  
17 on race, religion, ethnicity, nationality, or sex (in-  
18 cluding sexual orientation or gender identity).

19 (12) How the shooting was stopped, includ-  
20 ing—

- 21 (A) whether the shooter was injured or
- 22 killed, and if so, by whom; and
- 23 (B) if not, what was the other outcome of
- 24 the incident (such as escape, arrest, or suicide).

1           (13) The number and type of firearms and am-  
2           munition that were used in each shooting, includ-  
3           ing—

4                   (A) the make and model of the firearm;

5                   (B) the manufacturer of the firearm;

6                   (C) the make and model of the ammuni-  
7           tion;

8                   (D) the manufacturer of the ammunition;

9                   (E) whether a large capacity ammunition  
10          feeding device was present at the scene or used  
11          during the shooting; and

12                   (F) the number of rounds of ammunition  
13          fired by the shooter over the course of the  
14          shooting.

15          (14) Where each of the firearms used in each  
16          shooting was obtained and how, including—

17                   (A) whether the firearm was registered  
18          where required;

19                   (B) whether the firearm was purchased  
20          from a licensed gun dealer or an unlicensed  
21          sale; and

22                   (C) the geographic location from where the  
23          shooter obtained the firearm.

1           (15) If the original purchaser was not the  
2 shooter, what was, if any, the original purchaser's  
3 relationship to the shooter.

4           (16) If the original purchaser was not the  
5 shooter and the firearm was obtained from the  
6 shooter's home, the gun storage practices being used  
7 in the home, and whether the gun owner was  
8 charged with failing to properly secure his or her  
9 firearm.

10          (17) Whether the school had one or more teach-  
11 ers, as that term is defined in section 8553 of the  
12 Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965  
13 (20 U.S.C. 7943), who were armed, and if so,  
14 whether such armed teacher or teachers stopped the  
15 incident by shooting the shooter.

16          (18) How long did the shooting last (the ap-  
17 proximate elapsed time between the first and last  
18 shots fired).

19          (19) What was the response time of law en-  
20 forcement.

21          (c) HISTORIC STATISTICS ON SCHOOL SHOOTINGS.—  
22 The Secretary of Education shall direct the National Cen-  
23 ter for Education Statistics—

24           (1) to collect, to the extent practicable, the data  
25 required in subsection (b) for shootings that oc-

1 curred before the date of the enactment of this Act;  
2 and

3 (2) to publish such data as revisions to the  
4 most applicable annual reports on indicators of  
5 school crime and safety issued by the National Cen-  
6 ter for Education Statistics before the date of the  
7 enactment of this Act.

8 (d) SAFETY AND PREVENTION.—In collecting data  
9 on school shootings to be compiled in the annual report  
10 described in subsection (a), the National Center for Edu-  
11 cation Statistics shall collect, at a minimum, information  
12 on the existence or absence of the following measures at  
13 the time of the shooting at schools where a school shooting  
14 occurred in the previous year:

15 (1) Physical security measures, including—

16 (A) building envelopes and interiors de-  
17 signed to protect occupants from human  
18 threats; and

19 (B) other physical security measures de-  
20 signed to avert and restrict violence.

21 (2) Other types of security measures, including  
22 measures designed to preserve open learning envi-  
23 ronments that positively influence student behavior.

24 (3) A communication plan with local law en-  
25 forcement.

1           (4) A response plan that includes coordination  
2 with local agencies (law enforcement, fire depart-  
3 ment, hospitals, etc).

4           (5) An active shooter response plan (including  
5 the use of an alert system to notify students, faculty,  
6 and parents or guardians).

7           (6) A trauma response plan to address trauma  
8 resulting from the shooting, including coordination  
9 with school-based counselors, other school mental  
10 health professionals, and appropriate community  
11 partners and organizations, such as community ac-  
12 tion programs or agencies.

13           (7) Any other similar type of safety or preven-  
14 tion measure in place at the time of the school  
15 shooting.

16       (e) **RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.**—In collecting data on  
17 school shootings to be compiled in the annual report de-  
18 scribed in subsection (a), any data disaggregation required  
19 by subsection (b) shall not be required in the case where  
20 such disaggregation would reveal personally identifiable  
21 information about any individual.