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To authorize grants through the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for mosquito control programs to prevent mosquito-borne diseases, and for other purposes.

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JANUARY 27, 2003

Mr. JOHN (for himself, Mr. TAUZIN, Mr. DINGELL, Ms. MCCARTHY of Missouri, Mr. SHIMKUS, Ms. MCCOLLUM, Mr. PALLONE, Ms. NORTON, Ms. CORRINE BROWN of Florida, Mr. WYNN, Mr. WEINER, Mr. KING of New York, Mr. STRICKLAND, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. PICKERING, Mr. DOYLE, Mr. FOSSELLA, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. RUSH, Mr. BAKER, Mr. KENNEDY of Minnesota, Mr. MCHUGH, Mr. TOWNS, Mr. STUPAK, and Mr. FOLEY) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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Additional sponsors: Mr. GREEN of Texas, Mr. SOUDER, Mrs. MALONEY, Mr. LIPINSKI, Mr. BEREUTER, Mr. MATHESON, Mr. GORDON, Mr. VITTER, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. MCCOTTER, Mr. FROST, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. SANDLIN, Mr. TAYLOR of Mississippi, Mr. CASE, Mr. HALL, Mr. FORD, Mr. TANNER, Mr. BOYD, Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island, Mr. TURNER of Texas, Mrs. KELLY, Mr. PASCRELL, Mr. POMEROY, and Mr. CRANE

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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 “Mosquito Abatement
5 for Safety and Health Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. GRANTS REGARDING PREVENTION OF MOSQUITO-**
7 **BORNE DISEASES.**

8 Part B of title III of the Public Health Service Act
9 (42 U.S.C. 243 et seq.), as amended by section 4 of Public
10 Law 107–84 and section 312 of Public Law 107–188, is
11 amended—

12 (1) by transferring section 317R from the cur-
13 rent placement of the section and inserting the sec-
14 tion after section 317Q; and

15 (2) by inserting after section 317R (as so trans-
16 ferred) the following section:

17 **“SEC. 317S. MOSQUITO-BORNE DISEASES; COORDINATION**
18 **GRANTS TO STATES; ASSESSMENT AND CON-**
19 **TROL GRANTS TO POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS.**

20 “(a) COORDINATION GRANTS TO STATES; ASSESS-
21 MENT GRANTS TO POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS.—

1 “(1) IN GENERAL.—With respect to mosquito
2 control programs to prevent and control mosquito-
3 borne diseases (referred to in this section as ‘control
4 programs’), the Secretary, acting through the Direc-
5 tor of the Centers for Disease Control and Preven-
6 tion, may make grants to States for the purpose
7 of—

8 “(A) coordinating control programs in the
9 State involved; and

10 “(B) assisting such State in making grants
11 to political subdivisions of the State to conduct
12 assessments to determine the immediate needs
13 in such subdivisions for control programs, and
14 to develop, on the basis of such assessments,
15 plans for carrying out control programs in the
16 subdivisions.

17 “(2) PREFERENCE IN MAKING GRANTS.—In
18 making grants under paragraph (1), the Secretary
19 shall give preference to States that have one or more
20 political subdivisions with an incidence or prevalence
21 of mosquito-borne disease, or a population of in-
22 fected mosquitoes, that is substantial relative to po-
23 litical subdivisions in other States.

24 “(3) CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS.—A grant may
25 be made under paragraph (1) only if—

1 “(A) the State involved has developed, or
2 agrees to develop, a plan for coordinating con-
3 trol programs in the State, and the plan takes
4 into account any assessments or plans described
5 in subsection (b)(3) that have been conducted
6 or developed, respectively, by political subdivi-
7 sions in the State;

8 “(B) in developing such plan, the State
9 consulted or will consult (as the case may be
10 under subparagraph (A)) with political subdivi-
11 sions in the State that are carrying out or plan-
12 ning to carry out control programs;

13 “(C) the State agrees to monitor control
14 programs in the State in order to ensure that
15 the programs are carried out in accordance with
16 such plan, with priority given to coordination of
17 control programs in political subdivisions de-
18 scribed in paragraph (2) that are contiguous;

19 “(D) the State agrees that the State will
20 make grants to political subdivisions as de-
21 scribed in paragraph (1)(B), and that such a
22 grant will not exceed \$10,000; and

23 “(E) the State agrees that the grant will
24 be used to supplement, and not supplant, State

1 and local funds available for the purpose de-
2 scribed in paragraph (1).

3 “(4) REPORTS TO SECRETARY.—A grant may
4 be made under paragraph (1) only if the State in-
5 volved agrees that, promptly after the end of the fis-
6 cal year for which the grant is made, the State will
7 submit to the Secretary a report that—

8 “(A) describes the activities of the State
9 under the grant; and

10 “(B) contains an evaluation of whether the
11 control programs of political subdivisions in the
12 State were effectively coordinated with each
13 other, which evaluation takes into account any
14 reports that the State received under subsection
15 (b)(5) from such subdivisions.

16 “(5) AMOUNT OF GRANT; NUMBER OF
17 GRANTS.—A State may not receive more than one
18 grant under paragraph (1).

19 “(b) PREVENTION AND CONTROL GRANTS TO POLIT-
20 ICAL SUBDIVISIONS.—

21 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary, acting
22 through the Director of the Centers for Disease
23 Control and Prevention, may make grants to polit-
24 ical subdivisions of States for the operation of con-
25 trol programs.

1 “(2) PREFERENCE IN MAKING GRANTS.—In
2 making grants under paragraph (1), the Secretary
3 shall give preference to political subdivisions that—

4 “(A) have an incidence or prevalence of
5 mosquito-borne disease, or a population of in-
6 fected mosquitoes, that is substantial relative to
7 other political subdivisions;

8 “(B) demonstrate to the Secretary that the
9 political subdivisions will, if appropriate to the
10 mosquito circumstances involved, effectively co-
11 ordinate the activities of the control programs
12 with contiguous political subdivisions;

13 “(C) demonstrate to the Secretary (directly
14 or through State officials) that the State in
15 which the political subdivision is located has
16 identified or will identify geographic areas in
17 the State that have a significant need for con-
18 trol programs and will effectively coordinate
19 such programs in such areas; and

20 “(D) are located in a State that has re-
21 ceived a grant under subsection (a).

22 “(3) REQUIREMENT OF ASSESSMENT AND
23 PLAN.—A grant may be made under paragraph (1)
24 only if the political subdivision involved—

1 “(A) has conducted an assessment to de-
2 termine the immediate needs in such subdivi-
3 sion for a control program, including an ento-
4 mological survey of potential mosquito breeding
5 areas; and

6 “(B) has, on the basis of such assessment,
7 developed a plan for carrying out such a pro-
8 gram.

9 “(4) REQUIREMENT OF MATCHING FUNDS.—

10 “(A) IN GENERAL.—With respect to the
11 costs of a control program to be carried out
12 under paragraph (1) by a political subdivision,
13 a grant under such paragraph may be made
14 only if the subdivision agrees to make available
15 (directly or through donations from public or
16 private entities) non-Federal contributions to-
17 ward such costs in an amount that is not less
18 than $\frac{1}{3}$ of such costs (\$1 for each \$2 of Fed-
19 eral funds provided in the grant).

20 “(B) DETERMINATION OF AMOUNT CON-
21 TRIBUTED.—Non-Federal contributions re-
22 quired in subparagraph (A) may be in cash or
23 in kind, fairly evaluated, including plant, equip-
24 ment, or services. Amounts provided by the
25 Federal Government, or services assisted or

1 subsidized to any significant extent by the Fed-
2 eral Government, may not be included in deter-
3 mining the amount of such non-Federal con-
4 tributions.

5 “(C) WAIVER.—The Secretary may waive
6 the requirement established in subparagraph
7 (A) if the Secretary determines that extraor-
8 dinary economic conditions in the political sub-
9 division involved justify the waiver.

10 “(5) REPORTS TO SECRETARY.—A grant may
11 be made under paragraph (1) only if the political
12 subdivision involved agrees that, promptly after the
13 end of the fiscal year for which the grant is made,
14 the subdivision will submit to the Secretary, and to
15 the State within which the subdivision is located, a
16 report that describes the control program and con-
17 tains an evaluation of whether the program was ef-
18 fective.

19 “(6) AMOUNT OF GRANT; NUMBER OF
20 GRANTS.—A grant under paragraph (1) for a fiscal
21 year may not exceed \$100,000. A political subdivi-
22 sion may not receive more than one grant under
23 such paragraph.

24 “(c) APPLICATIONS FOR GRANTS.—A grant may be
25 made under subsection (a) or (b) only if an application

1 for the grant is submitted to the Secretary and the appli-
2 cation is in such form, is made in such manner, and con-
3 tains such agreements, assurances, and information as the
4 Secretary determines to be necessary to carry out this sec-
5 tion.

6 “(d) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—Amounts appro-
7 priated under subsection (f) may be used by the Secretary
8 to provide training and technical assistance with respect
9 to the planning, development, and operation of assess-
10 ments and plans under subsection (a) and control pro-
11 grams under subsection (b). The Secretary may provide
12 such technical assistance directly or through awards of
13 grants or contracts to public and private entities.

14 “(e) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this section:

15 “(1) The term ‘control program’ has the mean-
16 ing indicated for such term in subsection (a).

17 “(2) The term ‘political subdivision’ means the
18 local political jurisdiction immediately below the level
19 of State government, including counties, parishes,
20 and boroughs. If State law recognizes an entity of
21 general government that functions in lieu of, and is
22 not within, a county, parish, or borough, the Sec-
23 retary may recognize an area under the jurisdiction
24 of such other entities of general government as a po-
25 litical subdivision for purposes of this Act.

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