(Original Signature of Member)

118TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

**H.R**.

To amend the Federal Fire Prevention and Control Act of 1974 to authorize appropriations for the United States Fire Administration and firefighter assistance grant programs, and for other purposes.

## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

M\_\_\_\_ introduced the following bill; which was 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 "Fire Grants and Safety
  - 5 Act of 2023".

1 SEC. 2. REAUTHORIZATION OF THE UNITED STATES FIRE 2 **ADMINISTRATION.** 3 Section 17(g)(1) of the Federal Fire Prevention and 4 Control Act of 1974 (15 U.S.C. 2216(g)(1)) is amended— 5 (1) in subparagraph (L), by striking "and" 6 after the semicolon; 7 (2) in subparagraph (M)— (A) by striking "for for" and inserting 8 "for"; and 9 10 (B) by striking the period and inserting ": and"; and 11 12 (3) by adding at the end the following new 13 subparagraraph: 14 "(N) \$95,000,000 for each of fiscal years 15 2024 through 2028, of which \$3,420,000 for 16 each such fiscal year shall be used to carry out 17 section 8(f).". 18 SEC. 3. REAUTHORIZATION OF ASSISTANCE TO FIRE-19 FIGHTERS GRANTS PROGRAM AND THE FIRE 20 PREVENTION AND SAFETY GRANTS PRO-21 GRAM. 22 (a) SUNSET.—Section 33(r) of the Federal Fire Pre-23 vention and Control Act of 1974 (15 U.S.C. 2229(r)) is amended by striking "2024" and inserting "2030". 24 25 (b) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Section 33(q)(1) of the Federal Fire Prevention and Control Act 26

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of 1974 (15 U.S.C. 2229(q)(1)) is amended by striking
 "to carry out this section—" and all that follows through
 "the fiscal year described in clause (i)" and inserting "to
 carry out this section \$750,000,000 for each of fiscal
 years 2024 through 2028".

## 6 SEC. 4. REAUTHORIZATION OF STAFFING FOR ADEQUATE 7 FIRE AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE GRANT 8 PROGRAM.

9 (a) SUNSET.—Section 34(k) of the Federal Fire Pre10 vention and Control Act of 1974 (15 U.S.C. 2229a(k))
11 is amended by striking "2024" and inserting "2030".

(b) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Section
34(j)(1) of the Federal Fire Prevention and Control Act
of 1974 (15 U.S.C. 2229a(j)(1)(I)) is amended—

15 (1) in subparagraph (G), by inserting "and"16 after the semicolon;

17 (2) in subparagraph (H), by striking "fiscal
18 year 2013; and" and inserting "each of fiscal years
19 2024 through 2028."; and

20 (3) by striking subparagraph (I).

## 21 SEC. 5. GAO AUDIT AND REPORT.

Not later than three years after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General of the United
States shall conduct an audit of and issue a publicly available report on—

(1) barriers that prevent fire departments from
 accessing Federal funds; and
 (2) the United States Fire Administration.

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