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Section 1. Short title

This Act may be cited as the "Federal Extreme Risk Protection Order Act of 202+2".

Sec. 2. Federal extreme risk protection orders

(a) IN GENERAL.—

Chapter 44 of title 18, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

"§ 932. Extreme risk protection orders

"(a) DEFINITIONS.— In this section—

"(1) the term 'court' means a district court of the United States;

"(2) the term 'designated law enforcement officer' means a law enforcement officer, designated by a United States marshal, who agrees to receive firearms, ammunition, and permits, as applicable, surrendered under subsection (f);

"(3) the term 'Director' means the Director of the Administrative Office of the United States Courts;

"(4) the term 'ex parte Federal extreme risk protection order' or 'ex parte Federal order' means a Federal extreme risk protection order issued under subsection (c);

"(5) the term 'Federal extreme risk protection order' means an order issued by a Federal court that enjoins an individual from purchasing, possessing, or receiving, in or affecting interstate and foreign commerce, a firearm or ammunition;

"(6) the term 'family or household member', with respect to a Federal order respondent, means any-

"(A) parent, spouse, sibling, or child related by blood, marriage, or adoption to the respondent;

"(B) dating partner of the respondent;

"(C) individual who has a child in common with the respondent, regardless of whether the individual has—

"(i) been married to the respondent; or

"(ii) lived together with the respondent at any time;

"(D) individual who resides or has resided with the respondent during the past year;

"(E) domestic partner of the respondent;

"(F) individual who has a legal parent-child relationship with the respondent, including a stepparent-stepchild and grandparent-grandchild relationship; and

"(G) individual who is acting or has acted as the legal guardian of the respondent;

"(7) the term 'Federal order petitioner' means an individual authorized to petition for an ex parte or long-term Federal extreme risk protection order under subsection (b)(1);

"(8) the term 'Federal order respondent' means an individual named in the petition for an ex parte or longterm Federal extreme risk protection order or subject to an ex parte or long-term Federal extreme risk protection order;

"(9) the term 'long-term Federal extreme risk protection order' or 'long-term Federal order' means a Federal extreme risk protection order issued under subsection (d);

"(10) the term 'mental health agency' means an agency of a State, Tribal, or local government or its contracted agency that is responsible for mental health services or co-occurring mental health and substance abuse services; and

"(11) the term 'national instant criminal background check system' means the national instant criminal background check system established under section 103 of the Brady Handgun Violence Prevention Act (34 U.S.C. 40901).

"(b) PETITION.—

"(1) IN GENERAL.— A family or household member of the applicable individual, or a law enforcement officer, may submit to an appropriate district court of the United States a petition requesting that the court issue an ex parte Federal extreme risk protection order or long-term Federal extreme risk protection order with respect to an individual.

"(2) No FEES.— A court or law enforcement agency may not charge a petitioner or respondent any fee for

"(A) filing, issuing, serving, or reporting an extreme risk protection order;

"(B) a petition for an extreme risk protection order or any pleading, subpoena, warrant, or motion in connection with an extreme risk protection order; or

"(C) any order or order to show cause necessary to obtain or give effect to this section.

"(3) CONFIDENTIALITY.— A Federal order petitioner who is a law enforcement officer may provide the identity of the petitioner's sources, and any identifying information, to the court under seal.

"(c) Ex parte orders.—

"(1) TIMING.—

"(A) IN GENERAL.— Except as provided in subparagraph (B), a court that receives a petition for an ex parte Federal order under subsection (b) shall grant or deny the petition on the date on which the petition is submitted.

"(B) LATE PETITIONS.— If a court receives a petition for an ex parte Federal order submitted under subsection (b) too late in the day to permit effective review, the court shall grant or deny the petition on the next day of judicial business at a time early enough to permit the court to file an order with the clerk of the court during that day.

"(2) EVIDENCE REQUIRED.— Before issuing an ex parte Federal order, a court shall require that the petitioner for such order submit a signed affidavit, sworn to before the court, that—

"(A) explains why such petitioner believes that the Federal order respondent poses a risk of imminent personal injury to self or another individual, by purchasing, possessing, or receiving a firearm or ammunition; and

"(B) describes the interactions and conversations of the petitioner with-

"(i) the respondent; or

"(ii) another individual, if such petitioner believes that information obtained from that individual is credible and reliable.

"(3) STANDARD FOR ISSUANCE OF ORDER.— A court may issue an ex parte Federal order only upon a finding of probable cause to believe that—

"(A) the Federal order respondent poses a risk of imminent personal injury to self or another individual, by purchasing, possessing, or receiving a firearm or ammunition; and

"(B) the order is necessary to prevent the injury described in subparagraph (A).

"(4) DURATION.— An ex parte Federal order shall expire on the earlier of—

"(A) the date that is 14 days after the date of issuance; or

"(B) the date on which the court determines whether to issue a long-term Federal order with respect to the respondent.

"(d) Long-term Federal orders.—

"(1) HEARING REQUIRED.— If a court receives a petition for a long-term Federal extreme risk protection order for a respondent under subsection (b), the court shall hold a hearing to determine whether to issue a long-term Federal order with respect to the respondent either—

"(A)

"(i) if the court issues an ex parte order with respect to the respondent, not later than 72 hours after the ex parte order is served on the respondent; or

"(ii) if the respondent waives the right to a hearing within the 72-hour period under clause (i), or the court does not issue an ex parte order, within 14 days after the date on which the court receives the petition; or

"(B) in no event later than 14 days after the date on which the court receives the petition.

"(2) NOTICE AND OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD.—

"(A) IN GENERAL.— The court shall provide the Federal order respondent with notice and the opportunity to be heard at a hearing under this subsection, sufficient to protect the due process rights of the respondent.

"(B) RIGHT TO COUNSEL.—

"(i) IN GENERAL.— At a hearing under this subsection, the Federal order respondent may be represented by counsel who is—

"(I) chosen by the respondent; and

"(II) authorized to practice at such a hearing.

"(ii) COURT-PROVIDED COUNSEL.— If the Federal order respondent is financially unable to obtain representation by counsel, the court, at the request of the respondent, shall ensure, to the extent practicable, that the respondent is represented by an attorney with respect to the petition.

"(3) BURDEN OF PROOF; STANDARD.— At a hearing under this subsection, the Federal order petitioner—

"(A) shall have the burden of proving all material facts; and

"(B) shall be required to demonstrate, by clear and convincing evidence, that-

"(i) the respondent to such order poses a risk of personal injury to self or another individual, during the period to be covered by the proposed Federal extreme risk protection order, by purchasing, possessing, or receiving a firearm or ammunition; and

"(ii) the order is necessary to prevent the injury described in clause (i).

"(4) ISSUANCE.— Upon a showing of clear and convincing evidence under paragraph (3), the court shall issue a long-term Federal order with respect to the respondent that shall be in effect for a period of not more than 180 days.

"(5) DENIAL.— If the court finds that there is not clear and convincing evidence to support the issuance of a long-term Federal order, the court shall dissolve any ex parte Federal order then in effect with respect to the respondent.

"(6) RENEWAL.—

"(A) NOTICE OF SCHEDULED EXPIRATION.— Thirty days before the date on which a long-term Federal order is scheduled to expire, the court that issued the order shall—

"(i) notify the petitioner and the respondent to such order that the order is scheduled to expire; and

"(ii) advise the petitioner and the respondent of the procedures for seeking a renewal of the order under this paragraph.

"(B) PETITION.— If a family or household member of the Federal order respondent, or a law enforcement officer, believes that the conditions under paragraph (3)(B) continue to apply with respect to a respondent who is subject to a long-term Federal order, the family or household member or law enforcement officer may submit to the court that issued the order a petition for a renewal of the order.

"(C) HEARING.— A court that receives a petition submitted under subparagraph (B) shall hold a hearing to determine whether to issue a renewed long-term Federal order with respect to the respondent.

"(D) APPLICABLE PROCEDURES.— The requirements under paragraphs (2) through (5) shall apply to the consideration of a petition for a renewed long-term Federal order submitted under subparagraph (B) of this paragraph.

"(E) ISSUANCE.— Upon a showing by clear and convincing evidence that the conditions under paragraph (3)(B) continue to apply with respect to the respondent, the court shall issue a renewed long-term Federal order with respect to the respondent.

"(e) FACTORS TO CONSIDER.— In determining whether to issue a Federal extreme risk protection order, a court

"(1) shall consider factors including—

"(A) a recent threat or act of violence by the respondent directed toward another individual;

"(B) a recent threat or act of violence by the respondent directed toward self;

"(C) a recent act of cruelty to an animal by the respondent; and

"(D) evidence of ongoing abuse of a controlled substance or alcohol by the respondent that has led to a threat or act of violence directed to self or another individual; and

"(2) may consider other factors, including-

"(A) the reckless use, display, or brandishing of a firearm by the respondent;

"(B) a history of violence or attempted violence by the respondent against another individual; and

"(C) evidence of an explicit or implicit threat made by the person through any medium that demonstrate that the person poses a risk of personal injury to self or another individual.

"(f) Relinquishment of firearms and ammunition.—

"(1) ORDER OF SURRENDER.— Upon issuance of an ex parte Federal order or long-term Federal order, the court shall order the respondent to such order to surrender all firearms and ammunition that the respondent possesses or owns, in or affecting interstate commerce, as well as any permit authorizing the respondent to purchase or possess firearms (including a concealed carry permit), to—

"(A) the United States Marshals Service; or

"(B) a designated law enforcement officer.

"(2) SURRENDER AND REMOVAL.—

"(A) MANNER OF SERVICE.—

"(i) PERSONAL SERVICE.— Except as provided in clause (ii), a United States marshal or designated law enforcement officer shall serve a Federal extreme risk protection order on a respondent by handing the order to the respondent to such order.

"(ii) ALTERNATIVE SERVICE.— If the respondent cannot reasonably be located for service as described in clause (i), a Federal extreme risk protection order may be served on the respondent in any manner authorized under the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

"(B) REMOVAL.— Except as provided in subparagraph (C), a United States marshal or designated law enforcement officer serving a Federal extreme risk protection order personally on the respondent shall—

"(i) request that all firearms and ammunition, in or affecting interstate commerce, as well as any permit authorizing the respondent to purchase or possess firearms (including a concealed carry permit), that the respondent possesses or owns—

"(I) be immediately surrendered to the United States marshal or designated law enforcement officer; or

"(II) at the option of the respondent, be immediately surrendered and sold to a federally licensed firearms dealer; and

"(ii) take possession of all firearms and ammunition described in clause (i) that are not sold under subclause (II) of that clause, as well as any permit described in that clause, that are—

"(I) surrendered;

"(II) in plain sight; or

"(III) discovered pursuant to a lawful search.

"(C) ALTERNATIVE SURRENDER.— If a United States marshal or designated law enforcement officer is not able to personally serve a Federal extreme risk protection order under subparagraph (A)(i), or is not reasonably able to take custody of the firearms, ammunition, and permits under subparagraph (B), the respondent shall surrender the firearms, ammunition, and permits in a safe manner to the control of a United States marshal or designated law enforcement officer not later than 48 hours after being served with the order.

"(3) RECEIPT.—

"(A) ISSUANCE.— At the time of surrender or removal under paragraph (2), a United States marshal or designated law enforcement officer taking possession of a firearm, ammunition, or a permit pursuant to a Federal extreme risk protection order shall—

"(i) issue a receipt identifying all firearms, ammunition, and permits that have been surrendered or removed; and

"(ii) provide a copy of the receipt issued under clause (i) to the respondent to such order.

"(B) FILING.— Not later than 72 hours after issuance of a receipt under subparagraph (A), the United States marshal who issued the receipt or designated another law enforcement officer to do so shall—

"(i) file the original receipt issued under subparagraph (A) of this paragraph with the court that issued the Federal extreme risk protection order; and

"(ii) ensure that the United States Marshals Service retains a copy of the receipt.

"(C) DESIGNATED LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER.— If a designated law enforcement officer issues a receipt under subparagraph (A), the officer shall submit the original receipt and a copy of the receipt to the appropriate United States marshal to enable the United States marshal to comply with subparagraph (B).

"(4) FORFEITURE.— If a respondent knowingly attempts, in violation of a Federal extreme risk protection order, to access a firearm, ammunition, or a permit that was surrendered or removed under this subsection, the firearm, ammunition, or permit shall be subject to seizure and forfeiture under section 924(d).

"(g) RETURN OF FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION.—

"(1) NOTICE.— If a Federal extreme risk protection order is dissolved, or expires and is not renewed, the court that issued the order shall order the United States Marshals Service to—

"(A) confirm, through the national instant criminal background check system and any other relevant law enforcement databases, that the respondent to such order may lawfully own and possess firearms and ammunition; and

"(B)

"(i) if the respondent may lawfully own and possess firearms and ammunition, notify the respondent that the respondent may retrieve each firearm, ammunition, or permit surrendered by or removed from the respondent under subsection (f); or

"(ii) if the respondent may not lawfully own or possess firearms and ammunition, notify the respondent that each firearm, ammunition, or permit surrendered by or removed from the respondent under subsection (f) will be returned only when the respondent demonstrates to the United States Marshals Service that the respondent may lawfully own and possess firearms and ammunition.

"(2) RETURN.— If a Federal extreme risk protection order is dissolved, or expires and is not renewed, and the United States Marshals Service confirms under paragraph (1)(A) that the respondent may lawfully own and possess firearms and ammunition, the court that issued the order shall order the entity that possesses each firearm, ammunition, or permit surrendered by or removed from the respondent under subsection (f) to return those items to the respondent.

"(h) RETURN OF FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION IMPROPERLY RECEIVED.— If a court, in a hearing under subsection (d), determines that a firearm or ammunition surrendered by or removed from a respondent under subsection (f) is

owned by an individual other than the respondent, the court may order the United States marshal or designated law enforcement officer in possession of the firearm or ammunition to transfer the firearm or ammunition to that individual if—

"(1) the individual may lawfully own and possess firearms and ammunition; and

"(2) the individual will not provide the respondent with access to the firearm or ammunition.

"(i) PENALTY FOR FALSE REPORTING OR FRIVOLOUS PETITIONS.— An individual who knowingly submits materially false information to the court in a petition for a Federal extreme risk protection order under this section, or who knowingly files such a petition that is frivolous, unreasonable, or without foundation, shall be fined not more than \$5,000, or imprisoned not more than 5 years, or both, except to the extent that a greater sentence is otherwise provided by any other provision of law, as the court deems necessary to deter such abuse of process.

"(j) MODEL POLICY.—

"(1) IN GENERAL.— The Director shall draft a model policy to maximize the accessibility of Federal extreme risk protection orders.

"(2) CONTENTS.— In drafting the model policy under paragraph (1), the Director shall—

"(A) ensure that State, Tribal, and local law enforcement officers and members of the public without legal training are able to easily file petitions for Federal extreme risk protection orders;

"(B) prescribe outreach efforts by employees of the district courts of the United States to familiarize relevant law enforcement officers and the public with the procedures for filing petitions, either—

"(i) through direct outreach; or

"(ii) in coordination with—

"(I) relevant officials in the executive or legislative branch of the Federal Government; or

"(II) with relevant State, Tribal, and local officials;

"(C) prescribe policies for allowing the filing of petitions and prompt adjudication of petitions on weekends and outside of normal court hours;

"(D) prescribe policies for coordinating with law enforcement agencies to ensure the safe, timely, and effective service of Federal extreme risk protection orders and relinquishment of firearms, ammunition, and permits, as applicable; and

"(E) identify governmental and non-governmental resources and partners to help officials of the district courts of the United States coordinate with civil society organizations to ensure the safe and effective implementation of this section.

"(k) Reporting.—

"(1) INDIVIDUAL REPORTS.—

"(A) IN GENERAL.— Not later than 2 court days after the date on which a court issues or dissolves a Federal extreme risk protection order under this section or a Federal extreme risk protection order expires without being renewed, the court shall notify—

"(i) the Attorney General;

"(ii) each relevant mental health agency in the State in which the order is issued; and

"(iii) State and local law enforcement officials in the jurisdiction in which the order is issued, including the national instant criminal background check system single point of contact for the State of residence of the respondent, where applicable.

"(B) FORMAT.— A court shall submit a notice under subparagraph (A) in an electronic format, in a manner prescribed by the Attorney General.

"(C) UPDATE OF DATABASES.— As soon as practicable and not later than 5 days after receiving a notice under subparagraph (A), the Attorney General shall update the background check databases of the Attorney General to reflect the prohibitions articulated in the applicable Federal extreme risk protection order.

"(2) ANNUAL REPORTS.— Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of the Federal Extreme Risk Protection Order Act of $202\frac{12}{12}$, and annually thereafter, the Director shall submit to the Committee on the

Judiciary of the Senate and the Committee on the Judiciary of the House of Representatives a report that includes, with respect to the preceding year—

"(A) the number of petitions for ex parte Federal orders filed, as well as the number of such orders issued and the number denied, disaggregated by—

"(i) the jurisdiction;

"(ii) whether the individual authorized under subsection (b) to petition for a Federal extreme risk protection order is a law enforcement officer, or a family or household member, and in the case of a family or household member, which of subparagraphs (A) through (G) of subsection (a)(6) describes the relationship; and

"(iii) the alleged danger posed by the Federal order respondent, including whether the danger involved a risk of suicide, unintentional injury, domestic violence, or other interpersonal violence;

"(B) the number of petitions for long-term Federal orders filed, as well as the number of such orders issued and the number denied, disaggregated by—

"(i) the jurisdiction;

"(ii) whether the individual authorized under subsection (b) to petition for a Federal extreme risk protection order is a law enforcement officer, or a family or household member, and in the case of a family or household member, which of subparagraphs (A) through (G) of subsection (a)(6) describes the relationship; and

"(iii) the alleged danger posed by the Federal order respondent, including whether the danger involved a risk of suicide, unintentional injury, domestic violence, or other interpersonal violence;

"(C) the number of petitions for renewals of long-term Federal orders filed, as well as the number of such orders issued and the number denied;

"(D) the number of cases in which a court has issued a penalty for false reporting or frivolous petitions;

"(E) demographic data of Federal order petitioners, including race, ethnicity, national origin, sex, gender, age, disability, average annual income, and English language proficiency, if available;

"(F) demographic data of Federal order respondents, including race, ethnicity, national origin, sex, gender, age, disability, average annual income, and English language proficiency, if available; and

"(G) the total number of firearms removed pursuant to Federal extreme risk protection orders, and, if available, the number of firearms removed pursuant to each such order.

"(1) TRAINING FOR FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS.—

"(1) TRAINING REQUIREMENTS.— The head of each Federal law enforcement agency shall require each Federal law enforcement officer employed by the agency to complete training in the safe, impartial, effective, and equitable use and administration of Federal extreme risk protection orders, including training to address—

"(A) bias based on race and racism, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, religion, language proficiency, mental health condition, disability, and classism in the use and administration of Federal extreme risk protection orders;

"(B) the appropriate use of Federal extreme risk protection orders in cases of domestic violence, including the applicability of other policies and protocols to address domestic violence in situations that may also involve Federal extreme risk protection orders and the necessity of safety planning with the victim before law enforcement petitions for and executes a Federal extreme risk protection order, if applicable;

"(C) interacting with persons with mental, behavioral, or physical disabilities, or emotional distress, including de-escalation techniques and crisis intervention;

"(D) <u>techniques for outreach to historically marginalized cultural communities and the development</u> of linguistic proficiencies for law enforcement;

<u>"(E)</u>training on community relations; and

"(EF) best practices for referring persons subject to Federal extreme risk protection orders and associated victims of violence to social service providers that may be available in the jurisdiction and appropriate for those individuals, including health care, mental health, substance abuse, and legal services,

employment and vocational services, housing assistance, case management, and veterans and disability benefits.

"(2) TRAINING DEVELOPMENT.— Federal law enforcement agencies developing law enforcement training required under this section shall seek advice from domestic violence service providers (including culturally specific (as defined in section 40002 of the Violence Against Women Act of 1994 (34 U.S.C. 12291)) providers), social service providers, suicide prevention advocates, violence intervention specialists, law enforcement agencies, mental health disability experts, and other community groups working to reduce suicides and violence, including domestic violence, within the State.

"(m) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.— Nothing in this section or shall be construed to alter the requirements of subsections (d)(8) or (g)(8) of section 922, related to domestic violence protective orders.

"(n)PREEMPTION.—Nothing in this section may be construed to preempt any State law or policy.".

(b) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

(1) TABLE OF SECTIONS.— The table of sections for chapter 44 of title 18, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

"932. Extreme risk protection orders.".

(2) FORFEITURE.— Section 924(d)(3) of title 18, United States Code, is amended—

(A) in subparagraph (E), by striking "and" at the end;

- (B) in subparagraph (F), by striking the period at the end and inserting "; and"; and
- (C) by adding at the end the following:
 - "(G) any attempt to violate a Federal extreme risk protection order issued under section 932.".

[NOTE-- DELETED : Sec. 3. Federal firearms prohibition]

Sec. 3. Federal firearms prohibition

Section 922 of title 18, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in subsection (d)—

(A) in paragraph (8)(B)(ii), by striking "or" at the end;

(B) in paragraph (9), by striking the period at the end and inserting "; or"; and

(C) by inserting after paragraph (9) the following:

"(10) is subject to a court order—

"(A) issued under section 932; or

"(B) that is an extreme risk protection order (as defined in section 4(a) of the Federal Extreme Risk Protection Order Act of 2022)."; and

(2) in subsection (g)—

(A) in paragraph (8)(C)(ii), by striking "or" at the end;

(B) in paragraph (9), by striking the comma at the end and inserting "; or"; and

(C) by inserting after paragraph (9) the following:

"(10) is subject to a court order—

"(A) issued under section 932; or

<u>"(B) that is an extreme risk protection order (as defined in section 4(a) of the Federal Extreme Risk Protection Order Act of 2022),".</u>

Sec. 4. Extreme risk protection order grant program

(a) DEFINITIONS.— In this section:

(1) ELIGIBLE ENTITY.— The term "eligible entity" means—

<u>(A) a State or Indian Tribe</u>

(i) that enacts legislation described in subsection (c);

(ii) with respect to which the Attorney General determines that the legislation described in clause (i) complies with the requirements under subsection (c)(1); and

(iii) that certifies to the Attorney General that the State or Indian Tribe shall-

(I) use the grant for the purposes described in subsection (b)(2); and

(II) allocate not less than 25 percent and not more than 70 percent of the amount received under a grant under subsection (b) for the development and dissemination of training for law enforcement officers in accordance with subsection (b)(4); or

(B) a unit of local government or other public or private entity that—

(i) is located in a State or in the territory under the jurisdiction of an Indian Tribe that meets the requirements described in clauses (i) and (ii) of subparagraph (A); and

(ii) certifies to the Attorney General that the unit of local government or entity shall—

(I) use the grant for the purposes described in subsection (b)(2); and

(II) allocate not less than 25 percent and not more than 70 percent of the amount received under a grant under this section for the development and dissemination of training for law enforcement officers in accordance with subsection (b)(4).

(2) EXTREME RISK PROTECTION ORDER.— The term "extreme risk protection order" means a written order or warrant, issued by a State or Tribal court or signed by a magistrate (or other comparable judicial officer), the primary purpose of which is to reduce the risk of firearm-related death or injury by doing 1 or more of the following:

(A) Prohibiting a named individual from having under the custody or control of the individual, owning, purchasing, possessing, or receiving a firearm.

(B) Having a firearm removed or requiring the surrender of firearms from a named individual.

(3) FIREARM.— The term "firearm" has the meaning given the term in section 921 of title 18, United States <u>Code.</u>

(4) INDIAN TRIBE.— The term "Indian Tribe" has the meaning given the term "Indian tribe" in section 1709 of title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. 10389).

(5) LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER.— The term "law enforcement officer" means a public servant authorized by Federal, State, local, or Tribal law or by a Federal, State, local, or Tribal government agency to—

(A) engage in or supervise the prevention, detection, investigation, or prosecution of an offense; or (B) supervise sentenced criminal offenders.

(6) PETITIONER.— The term "petitioner" means an individual authorized under State or Tribal law to petition for an extreme risk protection order.

(7) RESPONDENT.— The term "respondent" means an individual named in the petition for an extreme risk protection order or subject to an extreme risk protection order.

(8) STATE. — The term "State" means —

<u>(A) a State;</u>

(B) the District of Columbia;

(C) the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico; and

(D) any other territory or possession of the United States.

(9) UNIT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT.— The term "unit of local government" has the meaning given the term in section 901 of title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. 10251).

(b) GRANT PROGRAM ESTABLISHED.—

(1) IN GENERAL.— The Director of the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services of the Department of Justice shall establish a program under which, from amounts made available to carry out this section, the Director may make grants to eligible entities to assist in carrying out the provisions of the legislation described in subsection (c).

(2) Use of funds.— Funds awarded under this subsection may be used by an applicant to—

(A) enhance the capacity of law enforcement agencies and the courts of a State, unit of local government, or Indian Tribe by providing personnel, training, technical assistance, data collection, and other resources to carry out enacted legislation described in subsection (c):

(B) train judges, court personnel, health care and legal professionals, and law enforcement officers to more accurately identify individuals whose access to firearms poses a danger of causing harm to themselves or others by increasing the risk of firearms suicide or interpersonal violence;

(C) develop and implement law enforcement and court protocols, forms, and orders so that law enforcement agencies and the courts may carry out the provisions of the enacted legislation described in subsection (c) in a safe, equitable, and effective manner, including through the removal and storage of firearms pursuant to extreme risk protection orders under the enacted legislation; and

(D) raise public awareness and understanding of the enacted legislation described in subsection (c), including through subgrants to community-based organizations for the training of community members, so that extreme risk protection orders may be issued in appropriate situations to reduce the risk of firearms-related death and injury.

(3) APPLICATION.— An eligible entity desiring a grant under this subsection shall submit to the Attorney General an application at such time, in such manner, and containing or accompanied by such information as the Attorney General may reasonably require.

(4) TRAINING.—

(A) IN GENERAL.— A recipient of a grant under this subsection shall provide training to law enforcement officers, including officers of relevant Federal, State, local, and Tribal law enforcement agencies, in the safe, impartial, effective, and equitable use and administration of extreme risk protection orders, including training to address—

(i) bias based on race and racism, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, religion, language proficiency, and classism in the use and administration of extreme risk protection orders;

(ii) the appropriate use of extreme risk protection orders in cases of domestic violence, including the applicability of other policies and protocols to address domestic violence in situations that may also involve extreme risk protection orders and the necessity of safety planning with the victim before a law enforcement officer petitions for and executes an extreme risk protection order, if applicable:

(iii) interacting with persons with a mental illness or emotional distress, including de-escalation and crisis intervention;

(iv) techniques for outreach to historically marginalized cultural communities and the development of linguistic proficiencies for law enforcement; and

(v) best practices for referring persons subject to extreme risk protection orders and associated victims of violence to social service providers that may be available in the jurisdiction and appropriate for those individuals, including health care, mental health, substance abuse, and legal services, employment and vocational services, housing assistance, case management, and veterans and disability benefits.

(B) CONSULTATION WITH EXPERTS.— A recipient of a grant under this subsection, in developing law enforcement training required under subparagraph (A), shall seek advice from domestic violence service providers (including culturally specific (as defined in section 40002 of the Violence Against Women Act of 1994 (34 U.S.C. 12291)) organizations), social service providers, suicide prevention advocates, violence intervention specialists, and other community groups working to reduce suicides and violence, including domestic violence, within the State or the territory under the jurisdiction of the Indian Tribe, as applicable, that enacted the legislation described in subsection (c) that enabled the grant recipient to be an eligible entity.

(5) INCENTIVES.— For each of fiscal years 2023 through 2027, the Attorney General shall give affirmative preference in awarding any discretionary grant awarded by the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services to a State or Indian Tribe that has enacted legislation described in subsection (c) or to a unit of local government or other public or private entity located in such a State or in the territory under the jurisdiction of such an Indian Tribe.

(6) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.— There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as are necessary to carry out this section.

(c) Eligibility for extreme risk protection order grant program.—

(1) <u>REQUIREMENTS.</u>— Legislation described in this subsection is legislation that establishes requirements that are substantially similar to the following:

(A) APPLICATION FOR EXTREME RISK PROTECTION ORDER.— A petitioner, including a law enforcement officer, may submit an application to a State or Tribal court, on a form designed by the court or a State or Tribal agency, that—

(i) describes the facts and circumstances justifying that an extreme risk protection order be issued against the named individual; and

(ii) is signed by the applicant, under oath.

(B) NOTICE AND DUE PROCESS.— The individual named in an application for an extreme risk protection order as described in subparagraph (A) shall be given written notice of the application and an opportunity to be heard on the matter in accordance with this paragraph.

(C) ISSUANCE OF EXTREME RISK PROTECTION ORDERS.—

(i) Hearing.—

(1) IN GENERAL.— Upon receipt of an application described in subparagraph (A) or request of an individual named in such an application, the court shall order a hearing to be held within a reasonable time, and not later than 30 days after the date of the application or request.

(II) DETERMINATION.— If the court finds at the hearing ordered under subclause (I), by a preponderance of the evidence or according to a higher evidentiary standard established by the State or Indian Tribe, that the respondent poses a danger of causing harm to self or others by having access to a firearm, the court may issue an extreme risk protection order.

(ii) DURATION OF EXTREME RISK PROTECTION ORDER.— An extreme risk protection order shall be in effect—

(I) until an order terminating or superseding the extreme risk protection order is issued; or (II) for a set period of time.

(D) Ex parte extreme risk protection orders.—

(i) IN GENERAL.— Upon receipt of an application described in subparagraph (A), the court may issue an ex parte extreme risk protection order, if—

(I) the application for an extreme risk protection order alleges that the respondent poses a danger of causing harm to self or others by having access to a firearm; and

(II) the court finds there is reasonable cause to believe, or makes a finding according to a higher evidentiary standard established by the State or Indian Tribe, that the respondent poses a danger of causing harm to self or others by having access to a firearm.

(ii) DURATION OF EX PARTE EXTREME RISK PROTECTION ORDER.— An ex parte extreme risk protection order shall remain in effect only until the hearing required under subparagraph (C)(i).

(E) STORAGE OF REMOVED FIREARMS.—

(i) AVAILABILITY FOR RETURN.— All firearms removed or surrendered pursuant to an extreme risk protection order shall only be available for return to the named individual when the individual has regained eligibility under Federal and State law, and, where applicable, Tribal law to possess firearms.

(ii) CONSENT REQUIRED FOR DISPOSAL OR DESTRUCTION.— Firearms owned by a named individual may not be disposed of or destroyed during the period of the extreme risk protection order without the consent of the named individual.

(F) NOTIFICATION.

(i) In general.—

(1) REQUIREMENT.— A State or Tribal court that issues an extreme risk protection order shall notify the Attorney General or the comparable State or Tribal agency, as applicable, of the order as soon as practicable or within a designated period of time. (II) FORM AND MANNER.— A State or Tribal court shall submit a notification under subclause (I) in an electronic format, in a manner prescribed by the Attorney General or the comparable State or Tribal agency.

(ii) UPDATE OF DATABASES.— As soon as practicable or within the time period designated by State or Tribal law after receiving a notification under clause (i), the Attorney General or the comparable State or Tribal agency shall ensure that the extreme risk protection order is reflected in the National Instant Criminal Background Check System.

(2) ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS.— Legislation described in this subsection may—

(A) provide procedures for the termination of an extreme risk protection order;

(B) provide procedures for the renewal of an extreme risk protection order;

(C) establish burdens and standards of proof for issuance of orders described in paragraph (1) that are substantially similar to or higher than the burdens and standards of proof set forth in that paragraph;

(D) limit the individuals who may submit an application described in paragraph (1), provided that, at a minimum, law enforcement officers are authorized to do so; and

(E) include any other authorizations or requirements that the State or Tribal authorities determine appropriate.

(3) ANNUAL REPORT.— Not later than 1 year after the date on which an eligible entity receives a grant under subsection (b), and annually thereafter for the duration of the grant period, the entity shall submit to the Attorney General a report that includes, with respect to the preceding year—

(A) the number of petitions for ex parte extreme risk protection orders filed, as well as the number of such orders issued and the number denied, disaggregated by—

(i) the jurisdiction;

(ii) the individual authorized under State or Tribal law to petition for an extreme risk protection order, including the relationship of the individual to the respondent; and

(iii) the alleged danger posed by the respondent, including whether the danger involved a risk of suicide, unintentional injury, domestic violence, or other interpersonal violence;

(B) the number of petitions for extreme risk protection orders filed, as well as the number of such orders issued and the number denied, disaggregated by—

(i) the jurisdiction;

(ii) the individual authorized under State or Tribal law to petition for an extreme risk protection order, including the relationship of the individual to the respondent; and

(iii) the alleged danger posed by the respondent, including whether the danger involved a risk of suicide, unintentional injury, domestic violence, or other interpersonal violence;

(C) the number of petitions for renewals of extreme risk protection orders filed, as well as the number of such orders issued and the number denied;

(D) the number of cases in which a court imposed a penalty for false reporting or frivolous petitions;

(E) demographic data of petitioners, including race, ethnicity, national origin, sex, gender, age, disability, and English language proficiency, if available;

(F) demographic data of respondents, including race, ethnicity, national origin, sex, gender, age, disability, and English language proficiency, if available; and

(G) the number of firearms removed, if available.

Sec. 5. Identification records

Section 534 of title 28, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in subsection (a)—

(A) in paragraph (3), by striking "and" at the end;
(B) by redesignating paragraph (4) as paragraph (5); and

(C) by inserting after paragraph (3) the following:

<u>''(4)</u>

"(A) subject to subparagraph (B), acquire, collect, classify, and preserve records from Federal, Tribal, and State courts and other agencies identifying individuals subject to extreme risk protection orders, as defined in section 4(a) of the Federal Extreme Risk Protection Order Act of 2022; and

<u>"(B)</u> destroy each record acquired or collected under subparagraph (A) when the applicable extreme risk protection order expires or is terminated or dissolved; and";

(2) in subsection (b), by striking "(a)(4)" and inserting "(a)(5)"; and

(3) by adding at the end the following:

<u>"(g) EXTREME RISK PROTECTION ORDERS IN NATIONAL CRIME INFORMATION DATABASES.— A Federal, Tribal, or State criminal justice agency or criminal or civil court may</u>

"(1) include extreme risk protection orders, as defined in section 4 of the Federal Extreme Risk Protection Order Act of 2022, in national crime information databases, as that term is defined in subsection (f)(3) of this section; and

"(2) have access to information regarding extreme risk protection orders through the national crime information databases.".

Sec. 6. Full faith and credit

(a) DEFINITIONS.— In this section, the terms "extreme risk protection order", "Indian Tribe", and "State" have the meanings given those terms in section 4(a).

(b) FULL FAITH AND CREDIT REQUIRED.— Any extreme risk protection order issued under a State or Tribal law enacted in accordance with this Act shall be accorded the same full faith and credit by the court of another State or Indian Tribe (referred to in this subsection as the "enforcing State or Indian Tribe") and enforced by the court and law enforcement personnel of the other State or Tribal government as if it were the order of the enforcing State or Indian Tribe.

(c) APPLICABILITY TO PROTECTION ORDERS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.— Subsection (b) shall apply to a protection order issued by a State or Tribal court if—

(A) the court has jurisdiction over the parties and matter under the law of the State or Indian Tribe; and

(B) reasonable notice and opportunity to be heard is given to the person against whom the order is sought sufficient to protect that person's right to due process.

(2) EX PARTE PROTECTION ORDERS.— For purposes of paragraph (1)(B), in the case of an ex parte protection order, notice and opportunity to be heard shall be provided within the time required by State or Tribal law, and in any event within a reasonable time after the order is issued, sufficient to protect the due process rights of the respondent.

(d) TRIBAL COURT JURISDICTION.— For purposes of this section, a court of an Indian Tribe shall have full civil jurisdiction to issue and enforce a protection order involving any person, including the authority to enforce any order through civil contempt proceedings, to exclude violators from Indian land, and to use other appropriate mechanisms, in matters arising anywhere in the Indian country (as defined in section 1151 of title 18, United States Code) of the Indian Tribe or otherwise within the authority of the Indian Tribe.

Sec. 7. Conforming amendment

<u>Section 3(1) of the NICS Improvement Amendments Act of 2007 (34 U.S.C. 40903(1)) is amended by striking</u> "section 922(g)(8)" and inserting "paragraph (8) or (10) of section 922(g)".

Sec. <u>48</u>. Severability

If any provision of this Act, or an amendment made by this Act, or the application of such provision to any person or circumstance, is held to be invalid, the remainder of this Act, or an amendment made by this Act, or the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances, shall not be affected.

Sec. <u>59</u>. Effective date

This Act and the amendments made by this Act shall take effect on the date that is 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act.

[NOTE-- DELETED : Sec. 6. Preemption]

Deleted Sections

Sec. 3. Federal firearms prohibition

Section 922 of title 18, United States Code, is amended-

(1) in subsection (d)-

(A) in paragraph (8)(B)(ii), by striking "or" at the end;

(B) in paragraph (9), by striking the period at the end and inserting "; or"; and

(C) by inserting after paragraph (9) the following:

"(10) is subject to a court order that—

"(A)

"(i) was issued after a hearing of which the person received actual notice, and at which the person had an opportunity to participate; or

"(ii) in the case of an ex parte order, relative to which notice and opportunity to be heard are provided—

"(I) within the time required by Federal, State, Tribal, or territorial law; and

"(II) in any event within a reasonable time after the order is issued, sufficient to protect the due process rights of the person;

"(B) prevents such person from possessing or receiving firearm; and

"(C) includes a finding that such person poses a danger of harm to self or others."; and

(2) in subsection (g)-

(A) in paragraph (8)(C)(ii), by striking "or" at the end;

(B) in paragraph (9), by striking the comma at the end and inserting "; or"; and

(C) by inserting after paragraph (9) the following:-

"(10) is subject to a court order that-

"(A)

"(i) was issued after a hearing of which the person received actual notice, and at which the person had an opportunity to participate; or

"(ii) in the case of an ex parte order, relative to which notice and opportunity to be heard are provided—

"(I) within the time required by Federal, State, Tribal, or territorial law; and

"(II) in any event within a reasonable time after the order is issued, sufficient to protect the due process rights of the person;

"(B) prevents such a person from possessing or receiving firearms; and

"(C) includes a finding that such person poses a danger of harm to self or others,".

Sec. 6. Preemption

Nothing in this Act or an amendment made by this Act shall be construed to preempt any State law or policy.