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ACTIVE SHOOTER BILL POISED TO BECOME LAW!!!

Chuck Canterbury, National President of the Fraternal Order of Police, welcomed news that the House passed S. 2840, the “Protecting Our Lives by Initiating COPS Expansion (POLICE) Act,” by voice vote under suspension of the rules. The bill passed the Senate 99-0 following National Police Week in 2016 and now the House will send it to the President’s desk to become law.

“This legislation, introduced by Senators John Cornyn III (R-TX) and Patrick J. Leahy (D-VT), expands the COPS Office to allow grant recipients the ability purchase active shooter training. Active shooter situations have become all too common in our country over the last few years and last few months,” stated Canterbury.

“We have seen too many innocent civilians and law enforcement officers wounded and killed in recent active shooter situations like recent tragic ambush of 12 law enforcement officers in Dallas and the terrorist attacks in Orlando and San Bernardino. It is imperative that law enforcement is properly trained to deal with these scenarios whenever they arise. This training will not only save the lives of law enforcement officers, but it will save the lives of countless innocent civilians who find themselves in those deadly and terrible situations,” said Canterbury.

“I would like to thank Representative John R. Carter (R-TX) who had originally introduced the legislation in the House. It was Representative Carter who tirelessly pushed for floor action on this important bill and we’re grateful for his efforts,” Canterbury said.

“I would also like to thank again Senators Cornyn and Leahy as well as Representative Carter for their constant work to help improve and protect the lives of law enforcement officers around the country. Their work on these issues never goes unnoticed to our members,” proclaimed Canterbury.

The Fraternal Order of Police is the largest law enforcement labor organization in the United States, with more than 330,000 members.

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