

One Hundred Fifth Congress  
of the  
United States of America

AT THE SECOND SESSION

*Begun and held at the City of Washington on Tuesday,  
the twenty-seventh day of January, one thousand nine hundred and ninety-eight*

An Act

To amend part Q of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968  
to encourage the use of school resource officers.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of  
the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

**SECTION 1. SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS.**

Part Q of title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe  
Streets Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 3796dd et seq.) is amended—

(1) in section 1701(d)—

(A) by redesignating paragraphs (8) through (10) as  
paragraphs (9) through (11), respectively; and

(B) by inserting after paragraph (7) the following:

“(8) establish school-based partnerships between local law  
enforcement agencies and local school systems by using school  
resource officers who operate in and around elementary and  
secondary schools to combat school-related crime and disorder  
problems, gangs, and drug activities;” and

(2) in section 1709—

(A) by redesignating the first 3 undesignated para-  
graphs as paragraphs (1) through (3), respectively; and

(B) by adding at the end the following:

“(4) ‘school resource officer’ means a career law enforcement  
officer, with sworn authority, deployed in community-oriented  
policing, and assigned by the employing police department or  
agency to work in collaboration with schools and community-  
based organizations—

“(A) to address crime and disorder problems, gangs,  
and drug activities affecting or occurring in or around  
an elementary or secondary school;

“(B) to develop or expand crime prevention efforts for  
students;

“(C) to educate likely school-age victims in crime  
prevention and safety;

“(D) to develop or expand community justice initiatives  
for students;

“(E) to train students in conflict resolution, restorative  
justice, and crime awareness;

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“(F) to assist in the identification of physical changes in the environment that may reduce crime in or around the school; and

“(G) to assist in developing school policy that addresses crime and to recommend procedural changes.”.

*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

*Vice President of the United States and  
President of the Senate.*