

112TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

S. 1793

AN ACT

To amend title 28, United States Code, to clarify the statutory authority for the longstanding practice of the Department of Justice of providing investigatory assistance on request of State and local authorities with respect to certain serious violent crimes, and for other purposes.

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 “Investigative Assist-
5 ance for Violent Crimes Act of 2012”.

6 **SEC. 2. INVESTIGATION OF CERTAIN VIOLENT ACTS,**
7 **SHOOTINGS, AND MASS KILLINGS.**

8 (a) ATTORNEY GENERAL.—Title 28, United States
9 Code, is amended—

10 (1) in section 530C(b)(1)(L)(i), by striking
11 “\$2,000,000” and inserting “\$3,000,000”; and

12 (2) in section 530C(b)(1), by adding at the end
13 the following—

14 “(M)(i) At the request of an appropriate
15 law enforcement official of a State or political
16 subdivision, the Attorney General may assist in
17 the investigation of violent acts and shootings
18 occurring in a place of public use and in the in-
19 vestigation of mass killings and attempted mass
20 killings. Any assistance provided under this
21 subparagraph shall be presumed to be within
22 the scope of Federal office or employment.

23 “(ii) For purposes of this subparagraph—

24 “(I) the term ‘mass killings’ means 3
25 or more killings in a single incident; and

1 “(II) the term ‘place of public use’
2 has the meaning given that term under
3 section 2332f(e)(6) of title 18, United
4 States Code.”.

5 (b) SECRETARY OF HOMELAND SECURITY.—Section
6 875 of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 455)
7 is amended by adding at the end the following:

8 “(d) INVESTIGATION OF CERTAIN VIOLENT ACTS,
9 SHOOTINGS, AND MASS KILLINGS.—

10 “(1) IN GENERAL.—At the request of an appro-
11 priate law enforcement official of a State or political
12 subdivision, the Secretary, through deployment of
13 the Secret Service or United States Immigration and
14 Customs Enforcement, may assist in the investiga-
15 tion of violent acts and shootings occurring in a
16 place of public use, and in the investigation of mass
17 killings and attempted mass killings. Any assistance
18 provided by the Secretary under this subsection shall
19 be presumed to be within the scope of Federal office
20 or employment.

21 “(2) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this sub-
22 section—

23 “(A) the term ‘mass killings’ means 3 or
24 more killings in a single incident; and

1 “(B) the term ‘place of public use’ has the
2 meaning given that term under section
3 2332f(e)(6) of title 18, United States Code.”.

Passed the Senate December 17, 2012.

Attest:

Secretary.

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