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To transfer certain responsibilities of the United States Secret Service to the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

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Mr. BIGGS of Arizona (for himself and Mr. CRANE) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

To transfer certain responsibilities of the United States Secret Service to the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

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 “Secret Service
5 Prioritization Act of 2025”.

6 **SEC. 2. FUNCTIONS TRANSFERRED.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—In accordance with this Act, there
8 shall be transferred to the Director of the Federal Bureau
9 of Investigation the assets, functions, and obligations of

1 the United States Secret Service to detect and arrest any
2 person who violates—

3 (1) section 508, 509, or 510 of title 18, United
4 States Code, or, with respect to the Federal Deposit
5 Insurance Corporation, Federal land banks, and
6 Federal land bank associations, section 213, 433,
7 493, 657, 709, 1006, 1007, 1011, 1013, 1014,
8 1907, or 1909 of such title;

9 (2) any of the laws of the United States relat-
10 ing to coins, obligations, and securities of the United
11 States and of foreign governments; or

12 (3) any of the laws of the United States relat-
13 ing to electronic fund transfer frauds, access device
14 frauds, false identification documents or devices, and
15 any fraud or other criminal or unlawful activity in
16 or against any federally insured financial institution,
17 except that the authority conferred by this para-
18 graph shall be exercised subject to the agreement of
19 the Attorney General and the Director of the Fed-
20 eral Bureau of Investigation and shall not affect the
21 authority of any other Federal law enforcement
22 agency with respect to those laws.

23 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Subsection (b) of
24 section 3056 of title 18, United States Code, is amended
25 to read as follows:

1 “(b) Under the direction of the Secretary of Home-
2 land Security, the Secret Service is authorized to detect
3 and arrest any person who violates section 871 and 879
4 of this title.”.

5 **SEC. 3. TRANSITIONAL AUTHORITIES.**

6 (a) PROVISION OF ASSISTANCE BY OFFICIALS.—
7 Until functions and obligations of the United States Se-
8 cret Service are transferred to the Federal Bureau of In-
9 vestigation under section 2, any official who, immediately
10 before the effective date of this Act, has authority over
11 or is responsible for functions relating to the United
12 States Secret Service shall provide to the Director of the
13 Federal Bureau of Investigation such assistance, including
14 the use of personnel and assets, as the Director of the
15 Federal Bureau of Investigation may request in preparing
16 for the transfer and integration of the functions and obli-
17 gations of the United States Secret Service transferred
18 under section 2 into the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

19 (b) SERVICES AND PERSONNEL.—During the period
20 beginning on the date of enactment of this Act and ending
21 on the effective date of this Act, upon the request of the
22 Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the head
23 of any executive agency may, on a reimbursable basis, pro-
24 vide services or detail personnel to assist with the transi-
25 tion.

1 (c) TRANSFER OF OBLIGATIONS AND FUNCTIONS.—

2 Upon the transfer of the functions and obligations of the
3 United States Secret Service under section 2 to the Fed-
4 eral Bureau of Investigation—

5 (1) the assets held by or available in connection
6 with the United States Secret Service shall be trans-
7 ferred to the Director of the Federal Bureau of In-
8 vestigation for appropriate allocation, subject to the
9 approval of the Director of the Office of Manage-
10 ment and Budget and in accordance with section
11 1531(a)(2) of title 31, United States Code; and

12 (2) the Director of the Federal Bureau of In-
13 vestigation shall have all functions and obligations
14 relating to the United States Secret Service that any
15 other official could by law exercise in relation to the
16 United States Secret Service immediately before
17 such transfer, including all such functions vested in
18 the Secretary of Homeland Security by the Home-
19 land Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 101 et seq.) or
20 any other law.

21 **SEC. 4. SAVINGS PROVISIONS.**

22 (a) COMPLETED ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS.—

23 (1) IN GENERAL.—Any completed administra-
24 tive action of the United States Secret Service shall
25 not be affected by the enactment of this Act or the

1 transfer of United States Secret Service functions
2 and obligations to the Federal Bureau of Investiga-
3 tion under section 2, but shall continue in effect ac-
4 cording to the terms of the completed administrative
5 action until the completed administrative action is
6 amended, modified, superseded, terminated, set
7 aside, or revoked in accordance with law by an office
8 of the United States or a court of competent juris-
9 diction, or by operation of law.

10 (2) COMPLETED ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION DE-
11 FINED.—In this subsection, the term “completed ad-
12 ministrative action” includes an order, a determina-
13 tion, a rule, a regulation, a personnel action, a per-
14 mit, an agreement, a grant, a contract, a certificate,
15 a license, a registration, and a privilege.

16 (3) PENDING PROCEEDINGS.—

17 (A) IN GENERAL.—Any pending pro-
18 ceeding in the United States Secret Service re-
19 lating to functions or obligations transferred
20 under this Act, including a notice of proposed
21 rulemaking and an application for a license,
22 permit, certificate, grant, or financial assist-
23 ance, shall continue notwithstanding the enact-
24 ment of this Act or the transfer of United
25 States Secret Service functions and obligations

1 to the Federal Bureau of Investigation under
2 section 2, unless the pending proceeding is dis-
3 continued or modified under the same terms
4 and conditions and to the same extent that
5 such discontinuance could have occurred if such
6 enactment or transfer had not occurred.

7 (B) ORDERS.—Any orders issued in a pro-
8 ceeding described in subparagraph (A), or an
9 appeal therefrom and any payment made pursu-
10 ant to such an order, shall issue in the same
11 manner and on the same terms if this Act had
12 not been enacted or the United States Secret
13 Service functions and obligations transferred
14 under section 2 of this Act had not been trans-
15 ferred, and the order shall continue in effect
16 until amended, modified, superseded, termi-
17 nated, set aside, or revoked by an office of the
18 United States or a court of competent jurisdic-
19 tion, or by operation of law.

20 (4) PENDING CIVIL ACTIONS.—Any pending
21 civil actions shall continue notwithstanding the en-
22 actment of this Act or the transfer of United States
23 Secret Service functions and obligations to the Fed-
24 eral Bureau of Investigation under section 2, and in
25 the pending civil action, proceedings shall be had,

1 appeals taken, and judgments rendered and enforced
2 in the same manner and with the same effect as if
3 such enactment or transfer had not occurred.

4 (5) REFERENCES.—Any reference relating to
5 United States Secret Service functions and obliga-
6 tions transferred to the Federal Bureau of Investiga-
7 tion under section 2, in a statute, an Executive
8 order, a rule, a regulation, a directive, or a delega-
9 tion of authority that proceeds such transfer or the
10 effective date of this Act shall be deemed to refer,
11 as appropriate, to the Federal Bureau of Investiga-
12 tion and the United States Secret Service, to its offi-
13 cers, employees, or agents, or to its corresponding
14 organizational units or functions.

15 (b) EMPLOYMENT PROVISIONS .—

16 (1) REGULATIONS.—The Director of the Fed-
17 eral Bureau of Investigation may, in regulations pre-
18 scribed jointly with the Director of the Office of Per-
19 sonnel Management, adopt the rule, procedures,
20 terms, and conditions established by statute, rule, or
21 regulation before the effective date of this Act relat-
22 ing to employment in the United States Secret Serv-
23 ice to perform functions and obligations transferred
24 in section 2 to the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

1 (2) DIRECT HIRE AUTHORITY.—The Director of
2 the Federal Bureau of Investigation may appoint,
3 without regard to the provisions of subchapter I of
4 chapter 33 (other than sections 3303 and 3328 of
5 such chapter) of title 5, United States Code, quali-
6 fied candidates to any positions in the competitive
7 service to fulfill the functions and obligations trans-
8 ferred under section 2.

9 (3) STATUTORY REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.—
10 Any statutory reporting requirement that applied to
11 the United States Secret Service with respect to any
12 functions and obligations transferred to the Federal
13 Bureau of Investigation under section 2 shall con-
14 tinue to apply following that transfer if the statutory
15 requirement includes an explicit reference to the
16 United States Secret Service and the functions and
17 obligations transferred under section 2.

18 **SEC. 5. INCIDENTAL TRANSFERS.**

19 The Director of the Office of Management and Budg-
20 et, in consultation with the Director of the Federal Bureau
21 of Investigation, is authorized and directed to make such
22 additional incidental disposition of personnel, assets, and
23 liabilities held, used, arising from, available, or to be made
24 available, in connection with the functions transferred by

1 this Act, as the Director determines necessary to accom-
2 plish the purposes of this Act.

3 **SEC. 6. REFERENCES.**

4 With respect to any function transferred by this Act
5 and exercised on or after the effective date of this Act,
6 any reference in any other Federal law to United States
7 Secret Service with respect to functions and obligations
8 transferred under section 2 shall be deemed to refer to
9 the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation or the
10 official or component of the Federal Bureau of Investiga-
11 tion to which such function or obligation is so transferred.

12 **SEC. 7. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

13 (a) IN GENERAL.—Except as otherwise provided in
14 subsection (b), this Act and the amendments made by this
15 Act shall take effect on the date that is 30 days after the
16 date of enactment of this Act.

17 (b) TRANSITION PERIOD.—Any action authorized to
18 be taken under subsection (a) or (b) of section 3 may be
19 taken beginning on the date of enactment of this Act.

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