

117TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 4978

To direct the Attorney General to make grants to States that have in place a law providing for the rights of sexual assault survivors, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

AUGUST 6, 2021

Ms. SPEIER (for herself, Mr. ARMSTRONG, Ms. LOFGREN, and Mr. FITZPATRICK) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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## A BILL

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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 “Survivors’ Bill of  
5 Rights in the States Act of 2021”.

6 **SEC. 2. INCENTIVES FOR STATES TO CREATE SEXUAL AS-**  
7 **SAULT SURVIVORS’ BILL OF RIGHTS.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Attorney General shall make  
9 grants to States that have in place a law that provides

1 to sexual assault survivors the rights, at a minimum,  
2 under section 3772 of title 18, United States Code.

3 (b) GRANT AMOUNT.—Subject to the availability of  
4 appropriations, a grant to a State under this section shall  
5 be equal to 10 percent of the average of the amount of  
6 funding of the 3 most recent awards that the State re-  
7 ceived under part T of title I of the Omnibus Crime Con-  
8 trol and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. 10441 et  
9 seq.) (commonly referred to as the “STOP Violence  
10 Against Women Formula Grant Program”).

11 (c) APPLICATION.—A State seeking a grant under  
12 this section shall submit an application to the Attorney  
13 General at such time, in such manner, and containing  
14 such information as the Attorney General may reasonably  
15 require, including information about the law described in  
16 subsection (a).

17 (d) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is  
18 authorized to be appropriated \$20,000,000 for each of fis-  
19 cal years 2022 to 2026 to carry out this section.

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