



S. 21
SECURITY FOR ALL
A Better Way to Protect America
**The Homeland Security Grant
Enhancement Act of 2005**

- ⇒ ***Doubles Risk-Based Grant Money***
- ⇒ ***Guarantees Basic Preparedness for All***
- ⇒ ***Encourages Prevention Before Terrorists Attack***
- ⇒ ***Promotes Regional Cooperation***
- ⇒ ***Strengthens Accountability***

Because Terrorists Will Strike Again:

S. 21 authorizes \$2.9 billion in FY 2006 for states and communities to prevent, prepare for, and respond to terrorism and other catastrophic disasters. This is almost \$1 billion more than current funding and equal to the FY 2004 level.

Because Most Funding Should be Based on Risk:

S. 21 reserves 60 Percent of its funding for states and regions based on risk – doubling the current amount of risk-based funding.

Because We Can Never Be Sure Where Terrorists Will Strike:

S. 21 provides a predictable level of funding for all states to attain basic preparedness to protect against the unexpected. States get at least 0.55 percent of the total funds. A higher level of baseline funding is provided to larger and more densely populated states.

Because We Must Work Together Against a Common Enemy:

S. 21 allows the nation's 100 largest metropolitan areas to apply for competitive, regional funding. Other regions can apply with the approval of the DHS Secretary and the Governor.

Because Prevention Must be a Priority:

S. 21 allows the DHS Secretary to designate up to 25 percent of funds specifically for prevention – intelligence, law enforcement training, information sharing, and other activities to prevent another attack before it occurs.

Because Good Government Means an Accountable Government:

S. 21 requires funds to be spent only to achieve essential homeland security goals, which means no more air conditioned garbage trucks or leather jackets. States would be required to plan before spending, resulting in smarter purchases. The DHS Secretary has the authority to take back grant funding if it is being misspent.