# (e) Authorization of appropriations

#### (1) In general

There are authorized to be appropriated for each of the fiscal years 2007 through 2009 such sums as may be necessary to carry out this section.

## (2) Report

Not later than April 1, 2009, the Attorney General shall report to Congress—

- (A) assessing the effectiveness and value of this section:
- (B) comparing the cost effectiveness of address verification to reduce sex offenses compared to other alternatives; and
- (C) making recommendations for continuing funding and the appropriate levels for such funding.

(Pub. L. 109-248, title VI, §631, July 27, 2006, 120 Stat. 641.)

#### § 16989. Fugitive Safe Surrender

## (a) Findings

Congress finds the following:

- (1) Fugitive Safe Surrender is a program of the United States Marshals Service, in partnership with public, private, and faith-based organizations, which temporarily transforms a church into a courthouse, so fugitives can turn themselves in, in an atmosphere where they feel more comfortable to do so, and have non-violent cases adjudicated immediately.
- (2) In the 4-day pilot program in Cleveland, Ohio, over 800 fugitives turned themselves in. By contrast, a successful Fugitive Task Force sweep, conducted for 3 days after Fugitive Safe Surrender, resulted in the arrest of 65 individuals.
- (3) Fugitive Safe Surrender is safer for defendants, law enforcement, and innocent bystanders than needing to conduct a sweep.
- (4) Based upon the success of the pilot program, Fugitive Safe Surrender should be expanded to other cities throughout the United States.

## (b) Establishment

The United States Marshals Service shall establish, direct, and coordinate a program (to be known as the "Fugitive Safe Surrender Program"), under which the United States Marshals Service shall apprehend Federal, State, and local fugitives in a safe, secure, and peaceful manner to be coordinated with law enforcement and community leaders in designated cities throughout the United States.

# (c) Authorization of appropriations

There are authorized to be appropriated to the United States Marshals Service to carry out this section—

- (1) \$3,000,000 for fiscal year 2007;
- (2) \$5,000,000 for fiscal year 2008; and
- (3) \$8,000,000 for fiscal year 2009.

# (d) Other existing applicable law

Nothing in this section shall be construed to limit any existing authority under any other provision of Federal or State law for law enforcement agencies to locate or apprehend fugitives through task forces or any other means.

(Pub. L. 109-248, title VI, §632, July 27, 2006, 120 Stat. 641.)

# § 16990. National registry of substantiated cases of child abuse

### (a) In general

The Secretary of Health and Human Services, in consultation with the Attorney General, shall create a national registry of substantiated cases of child abuse or neglect.

#### (b) Information

#### (1) Collection

The information in the registry described in subsection (a) shall be supplied by States and Indian tribes, or, at the option of a State, by political subdivisions of such State, to the Secretary of Health and Human Services.

#### (2) Type of information

The registry described in subsection (a) shall collect in a central electronic registry information on persons reported to a State, Indian tribe, or political subdivision of a State as perpetrators of a substantiated case of child abuse or neglect.

#### (c) Scope of information

#### (1) In general

#### (A) Treatment of reports

The information to be provided to the Secretary of Health and Human Services under this section shall relate to substantiated reports of child abuse or neglect.

#### (B) Exception

If a State, Indian tribe, or political subdivision of a State has an electronic register of cases of child abuse or neglect equivalent to the registry established under this section that it maintains pursuant to a requirement or authorization under any other provision of law, the information provided to the Secretary of Health and Human Services under this section shall be coextensive with that in such register.

## (2) **Form**

Information provided to the Secretary of Health and Human Services under this section—

- (A) shall be in a standardized electronic form determined by the Secretary of Health and Human Services; and
- (B) shall contain case-specific identifying information that is limited to the name of the perpetrator and the nature of the substantiated case of child abuse or neglect, and that complies with clauses (viii) and (ix) of section  $5106a(b)(2)(A)^1$  of this title.

#### (d) Construction

This section shall not be construed to require a State, Indian tribe, or political subdivision of a State to modify—

(1) an equivalent register of cases of child abuse or neglect that it maintains pursuant to a requirement or authorization under any other provision of law; or

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See References in Text note below.