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The Honorable Charles Grassley
Chair

The Honorable Richard Durbin
Ranking Member

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CRAIG LALLY

Recording Secretary
Los Angeles Police
Protective League

Dear Chairman Grassley and Ranking Member Durbin:

SCOTT HOVSEPIAN

Treasurer
Massachusetts Coalition
of Police

On behalf of the National Association of Police Organizations (NAPO), representing over 241,000 sworn law enforcement officers across the United States, I am writing to you to advise you of our strong support for the Halt All Lethal Trafficking of (HALT) Fentanyl Act, S. 331. We urge the Committee to advance this measure to the full Senate expeditiously and without amendment.

BRYAN YANT

Sergeant-at-Arms
Las Vegas Police Protective
Association

The spread of fentanyl in our communities is devastating. It is being mixed with already deadly illicit drugs, hidden in counterfeit drugs, and being peddled at alarmingly high rates to our nation's youth. 5 out of 10 counterfeit prescription drugs seized by law enforcement in 2024 were laced with a deadly dose of fentanyl. Fentanyl is now the drug most associated with overdoses in the United States. The amount of fentanyl the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) seized in 2024 – nearly 8,000 pounds of fentanyl – represents over 367 million deadly doses.

SCOTT LEETON

Executive Secretary
Combined Law Enforcement
Associations of Texas

The HALT Fentanyl Act would make permanent the current classwide scheduling of all fentanyl-related substances as Schedule 1 drugs under the Controlled Substances Act, giving law enforcement the tools and resources necessary to combat and deter fentanyl in our nation's communities.

MARK YOUNG

Vice President,
Associate Members
Detroit Police Lieutenants &
Sergeants Association

NAPO has long fought for resources to support law enforcement's efforts to combat fentanyl, its analogues, and similar opioids. We urge each member of this Committee to join us in the fight against the spread of this deadly poison in our communities by supporting and advancing the HALT Fentanyl Act without amendment. If we can provide any additional assistance, please feel free to contact me at (703) 549-0775.

JAMES PALMER

Parliamentarian
Wisconsin Professional Police
Association

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Sincerely,

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