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The Honorable Richard Shelby
Chairman
Commerce, Justice and Science
Appropriations Subcommittee
Senate Committee on Appropriations
S-128, The Capitol
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Chairman Shelby:

As you know, on October 1, 2017, tragedy struck Las Vegas, Nevada. In the largest mass shooting in United States history, 58 people were killed and more than 700 were wounded at a country music festival in my home state.

As they always do, our first responders sprung into action and served the needs of victims and the community. Because of all the hard, selfless work and time these first responders put in, communities in Nevada are experiencing a shortfall of about \$2.8 million in law enforcement overtime expenses.

Nevada was extremely appreciative of the \$1 million emergency grant it was provided by the Department of Justice immediately following the shooting, and I am grateful for your and the subcommittee's work to help secure this funding for the state. Unfortunately, the costs far exceed that amount.

I respectfully request that funding is provided in the upcoming appropriations package to defray the costs incurred by law enforcement in Nevada following the October 1st shooting.

Thank you for your attention to this issue that is important not just to Nevada but to those law enforcement heroes that serve us every day.

Sincerely,



DEAN HELLER
U.S. Senator