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# H. R. 5938

To amend title 18, United States Code, to provide secret service protection to former Vice Presidents, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 1, 2008

Mr. CONYERS (for himself, Mr. SMITH of Texas, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, and Mr. GOHMERT) 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 referred to as the “Former Vice  
5 President Protection Act of 2008”.

6 **SEC. 2. SECRET SERVICE PROTECTION FOR FORMER VICE**  
7 **PRESIDENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES.**

8 Section 3056(a) of title 18, United States Code, is  
9 amended—

1           (1) by inserting immediately after paragraph  
2           (7) the following:

3           “(8) Former Vice Presidents, their spouses, and  
4           their children who are under 16 years of age, for a  
5           period of not more than six months after the date  
6           the former Vice President leaves office. The Sec-  
7           retary of Homeland Security shall have the authority  
8           to direct the Secret Service to provide temporary  
9           protection for any of these individuals at any time  
10          thereafter if the Secretary of Homeland Security or  
11          designee determines that information or conditions  
12          warrant such protection.”; and

13          (2) in the sentence immediately preceding sub-  
14          section (b) of section 3056, by striking “(7)” and in-  
15          serting “(8)”.

16 **SEC. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

17          The amendments made by this Act shall apply with  
18          respect to any Vice President holding office on or after  
19          the date of enactment of the Act.

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