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# H. R. 223

To amend title 18, United States Code, to provide an alternate release date for certain nonviolent offenders, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 7, 2011

Ms. JACKSON LEE of Texas 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 cited as the “Federal Prison Bureau  
5 Nonviolent Offender Relief Act of 2011”.

6 **SEC. 2. EARLY RELEASE FOR CERTAIN NONVIOLENT OF-**  
7 **FENDERS.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 3624 of title 18, United  
9 States Code, is amended—

1           (1) in subsection (a), by inserting “at the early  
2           release date provided in subsection (g), if applicable,  
3           or otherwise” after “A prisoner shall be released by  
4           the Bureau of Prisons”; and

5           (2) by adding at the end the following:

6           “(g) EARLY RELEASE FOR CERTAIN NONVIOLENT  
7           OFFENDERS.—Notwithstanding any other provision of  
8           law, the Bureau of Prisons, pursuant to a good time pol-  
9           icy, shall release from confinement a prisoner who has  
10          served one half or more of his term of imprisonment (in-  
11          cluding any consecutive term or terms of imprisonment)  
12          if that prisoner—

13                 “(1) has attained the age of 45 years;

14                 “(2) has never been convicted of a crime of vio-  
15                 lence; and

16                 “(3) has not engaged in any violation, involving  
17                 violent conduct, of institutional disciplinary regula-  
18                 tions.”.

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