

119TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 4600

To amend the Communications Act of 1934 to increase the penalties related to intentional disclosure of nonconsensual intimate visual depictions, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 22, 2025

Ms. MACE introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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 “Responding to Exploi-
5 tation and Sharing of Private Explicit Content and
6 Threats Act” or the “RESPECT Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. INCREASED PENALTIES RELATED TO INTENTIONAL**
2 **DISCLOSURE OF NONCONSENSUAL INTIMATE**
3 **VISUAL DEPICTIONS.**

4 Section 223(h) of the Communications Act of 1934
5 (47 U.S.C. 223(h)) is amended—

6 (1) in paragraph (4)—

7 (A) in subparagraph (A), by striking “2
8 years” and inserting “5 years”; and

9 (B) in subparagraph (B), by striking “3
10 years” and inserting “10 years”; and

11 (2) in paragraph (6)(B)—

12 (A) in clause (i), by striking “18 months”
13 and inserting “3 years”; and

14 (B) in clause (ii), by striking “30 months”
15 and inserting “5 years”.

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