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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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AN ACT

To prohibit threats to a minor, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Combating Online
3 Predators Act” or the “COP Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITING THREATS TO A MINOR.**

5 (a) MATERIAL INVOLVING THE SEXUAL EXPLOI-
6 TATION OF MINORS.—Section 2252A of title 18, United
7 States Code, is amended—

8 (1) in subsection (a)—

9 (A) in paragraph (6), by striking “illegal;
10 or” and inserting “illegal;”;

11 (B) in paragraph (7), by striking the pe-
12 riod at the end and inserting “; or”; and

13 (C) by inserting after paragraph (7) the
14 following:

15 “(8) knowingly distributes, offers, sends, or
16 provides, in or affecting interstate or foreign com-
17 merce, a threat to distribute—

18 “(A) a visual depiction of a minor engag-
19 ing in sexually explicit conduct, or

20 “(B) a visual depiction of a person the de-
21 fendant believes is a minor engaging in sexually
22 explicit conduct,

23 with the intent that the minor, or the person the de-
24 fendant believes is a minor, create or transmit a vis-
25 ual depiction of any minor engaging in sexually ex-
26 plicit conduct,”; and

1 (2) in subsection (b), by striking “or (6)” and
2 inserting “(6), or (8)”.

3 (b) MATERIAL CONSTITUTING OR CONTAINING
4 CHILD PORNOGRAPHY.—Section 2252 of title 18, United
5 States Code, is amended—

6 (1) in subsection (a)—

7 (A) in paragraph (3)(B)(ii), by striking
8 “or” at the end;

9 (B) in paragraph (4)(B)(ii), by inserting
10 “or” after the semicolon; and

11 (C) by inserting after paragraph (4) the
12 following:

13 “(5) knowingly distributes, offers, sends, or
14 provides, in or affecting interstate or foreign com-
15 merce, a threat to distribute—

16 “(A) a visual depiction of a minor engag-
17 ing in sexually explicit conduct, or

18 “(B) a visual depiction of a person the de-
19 fendant believes is a minor engaging in sexually
20 explicit conduct,

21 with the intent that the minor, or the person the de-
22 fendant believes is a minor, create or transmit a vis-
23 ual depiction of sexually explicit conduct,”;

24 (2) in subsection (b)(2), by inserting “or (5)”
25 after “paragraph (4)”; and

