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H. R. 9146

To increase penalties for the sexual exploitation of children.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. FULLER (for himself, Mr. BABIN, Mr. MCCORMICK, Mr. WEBER of Texas, Mr. COLLINS, Mr. SELF, and Mr. BURCHETT) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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 “Millstone Act”.

5 **SEC. 2. INCREASED PENALTIES.**

6 (a) FEMALE GENITAL MUTILATION.—Section 116(a)
7 of title 18, United States Code, is amended by striking
8 “imprisoned not more than 10 years” and inserting “pun-
9 ished by death or imprisonment for any term of years or
10 for life,”.

1 (b) CIVIL RIGHTS OFFENSES INVOLVING SEXUAL
2 MISCONDUCT.—Section 250(b) of title 18, United States
3 Code, is amended—

4 (1) in paragraph (1), by striking “fined under
5 this title and imprisoned for any term of years or for
6 life” and inserting “fined under this title, punished
7 by death or imprisonment for any term of years or
8 for life”;

9 (2) in paragraph (2), by striking “fined under
10 this title and imprisoned for any term of years or for
11 life” and inserting “fined under this title, punished
12 by death or imprisonment for any term of years or
13 for life”;

14 (3) in paragraph (4)—

15 (A) in subparagraph (A), by striking
16 “fined under this title and imprisoned for not
17 more than 10 years” and inserting “fined under
18 this title, punished by death or imprisonment
19 for any term of years or for life”;

20 (B) in subparagraph (B), by striking “im-
21 prisoned for not more than 30 years” and in-
22 serting “punished by death or imprisonment for
23 any term of years or for life”.

24 (c) SEX TRAFFICKING OF CHILDREN.—Section
25 1591(b) of title 18, United States Code, is amended—

1 (1) in paragraph (1), by inserting “death or”
2 before “imprisonment for any term of years”; and
3 (2) in paragraph (2), by inserting “death or”
4 before “imprisonment”.

5 (d) SEXUAL ABUSE OF A MINOR.—Section 2243(a)
6 of title 18, United States Code, is amended in the continu-
7 ation text following paragraph (2), by striking “shall be
8 fined under this title, imprisoned not more than 15 years,
9 or both” and inserting “shall be fined under this title,
10 punished by death or imprisonment for any term of years
11 or for life, or both”;

12 (e) ABUSIVE SEXUAL CONTACT.—Section 2244(c) of
13 title 18, United States Code, is amended by striking “max-
14 imum term of imprisonment that may be imposed for the
15 offense shall be twice that otherwise provided in this sec-
16 tion.” and inserting “punishment shall be death or impris-
17 onment for any term of years or for life.”.

18 (f) SEXUAL EXPLOITATION OF CHILDREN.—Section
19 2251(e) of title 18, United States Code, is amended to
20 read as follows:

21 “(e) Any individual who violates, or attempts or con-
22 spires to violate, this section shall be fined under this title
23 and punished by death or imprisonment for any term of
24 years or for life.”.

1 (g) SELLING OR BUYING OF CHILDREN.—Section
2 2251A of title 18, United States Code, is amended—

3 (1) in subsection (a), by striking “shall be pun-
4 ished by imprisonment for not less than 30 years or
5 for life and by a fine under this title” and inserting
6 “shall be punished by death or imprisonment for not
7 less than 30 years or for life and by a fine under
8 this title”; and

9 (2) in subsection (b), by striking “shall be pun-
10 ished by imprisonment for not less than 30 years or
11 for life and by a fine under this title” and inserting
12 “shall be punished by death or imprisonment for not
13 less than 30 years or for life and by a fine under
14 this title”.

15 (h) MATERIAL INVOLVING THE SEXUAL EXPLOI-
16 TATION OF MINORS.—Section 2252(b) of title 18, United
17 States Code, is amended to read as follows:

18 “(b) Whoever violates, or attempts or conspires to
19 violate, subsection (a) shall be fined under this title and
20 punished by death or imprisonment for any term of years
21 or for life.”.

22 (i) MATERIAL CONSTITUTING OR CONTAINING CHILD
23 PORNOGRAPHY.—Section 2252A(b) of title 18, United
24 States Code, is amended to read as follows:

1 “(b) Whoever violates, or attempts or conspires to
2 violate, subsection (a) shall be fined under this title and
3 punished by death or imprisonment for any term of years
4 or for life.”.

5 (j) COERCION AND ENTICEMENT.—Section 2422(b)
6 of title 18, United States Code, is amended by striking
7 “shall be fined under this title and imprisoned not less
8 than 10 years or for life” and inserting “shall be fined
9 under this title and punished by death or imprisonment
10 for not less than 10 years or for life”.

11 (k) TRANSPORTATION OF MINORS.—Section 2423(a)
12 of title 18, United States Code, is amended by striking
13 “shall be fined under this title and imprisoned not less
14 than 10 years or for life” and inserting “shall be fined
15 under this title and punished by death or imprisonment
16 for not less than 10 years or for life”.

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