

119TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

# S. 4305

To increase the criminal penalties for assaulting a Bureau of Prisons  
correctional officer.

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 15 (legislative day, APRIL 14), 2026

Mrs. BLACKBURN (for herself and Mr. COTTON) introduced the following bill;  
which was read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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## A BILL

To increase the criminal penalties for assaulting a Bureau  
of Prisons correctional officer.

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 “Safer Prisons Act of  
5       2026”.

6       **SEC. 2. ENHANCED PENALTIES FOR ASSAULT ON BUREAU**  
7       **OF PRISONS CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS.**

8       Section 111 of title 18, United States Code, is  
9       amended—

1           (1) by redesignating subsection (c) as sub-  
2       section (d); and

3           (2) by inserting after subsection (b) the fol-  
4       lowing:

5       “(c) ENHANCED PENALTIES FOR ASSAULT ON BU-  
6       REAU OF PRISONS CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS.—In the  
7       case of any violation of this section against a correctional  
8       officer of the Bureau of Prisons, the applicable maximum  
9       term of imprisonment under this section shall be doubled,  
10      and the applicable maximum fine shall be adjusted accord-  
11      ingly.”.

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