Public Law 99-303
99th Congress

An Act

May 15, 1986
[S. 1818]

To amend section 1153 of title 18, United States Code, to make felonious sexual molestation of a minor an offense within Indian country.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. CRIMINAL PENALTY FOR FELONIOUS SEXUAL MOLESTATION OF A MINOR IN INDIAN COUNTRY.

Section 1153 of title 18, United States Code, is amended by inserting "felonious sexual molestation of a minor," after "involuntary sodomy," in the first undesignated paragraph.

SEC. 2. TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS.

Section 1153 of title 18, United States Code, as amended by section 1, is further amended by—

(1) inserting at the beginning of the section the following heading:

"§ 1153. Offenses committed within Indian country";

(2) designating the first undesignated paragraph as subsection (a); and

(3) striking out the second and third undesignated paragraphs and inserting in lieu thereof the following new subsection:

"(b) Any offense referred to in subsection (a) of this section that is not defined and punished by Federal law in force within the exclusive jurisdiction of the United States shall be defined and punished in accordance with the laws of the State in which such offense was committed as are in force at the time of such offense.".

Approved May 15, 1986.

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY—S. 1818 (H.R. 3826):

HOUSE REPORTS: No. 99-528 accompanying H.R. 3826 (Comm. on the Judiciary).
SENATE REPORTS: No. 99-202 (Comm. on the Judiciary).
CONGRESSIONAL RECORD:
Vol. 131 (1985): Dec. 5, considered and passed Senate.
Vol. 132 (1986): Apr. 28, H.R. 3826 considered and passed House; proceedings vacated and S. 1818, amended, passed in lieu.
May 6, Senate concurred in House amendment.

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