

105TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 518

To amend title 18, United States Code, to provide the death penalty for the intentional transmission of the Human Immunodeficiency Virus to an innocent victim of a Federal offense.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 4, 1997

Mr. BURTON of Indiana 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 “Protection for Innocent
5 Victims of AIDS Transmission Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. PROTECTION FOR INNOCENT VICTIMS OF AIDS**
2 **TRANSMISSION.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 51 of title 18, United
4 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the follow-
5 ing:

6 **“§ 1122. Protection for innocent victims of AIDS**
7 **transmission**

8 “(a) IN GENERAL.—Whoever, during the commission
9 of any Federal offense, knowingly engages in any sexual
10 contact with another person and through such contact
11 knowingly transfers the human immunodeficiency virus to
12 that person, without that person’s consent, or attempts
13 to do so, shall be subject to the penalty of death, or shall
14 be imprisoned for life or any term of years.

15 “(b) PROCEDURES.—For the purposes of chapter
16 228 of this title, an offense under this section shall be
17 deemed a homicide offense.”.

18 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
19 at the beginning of chapter 51 of title 18, United States
20 Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

“1122. Protection for innocent victims of AIDS transmission.”.

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