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2D SESSION

H. R. 3597

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 8, 2000

Mr. ROGAN 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 “10–20–Life Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. INCREASE IN PENALTIES FOR POSSESSING OR**
2 **USING A FIREARM IN THE COMMISSION OF A**
3 **FELONY CRIME OF VIOLENCE OR DRUG**
4 **TRAFFICKING CRIME; CERTAIN JUVENILE**
5 **OFFENDERS TO BE TRIED AS ADULTS.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 924(c)(1)(A) of title 18,
7 United States Code, is amended—

8 (1) in clause (i), by striking “5” and inserting
9 “10”;

10 (2) in clause (ii), by striking “7 years; and”
11 and inserting “10 years;”;

12 (3) in clause (iii), by striking “10 years.” and
13 inserting “20 years; and”; and

14 (4) by adding at the end the following:

15 “(iv) if the firearm is discharged and an indi-
16 vidual is injured by the discharge, be sentenced to
17 imprisonment for life or for any term of not less
18 than 25 years.”.

19 (b) JUVENILE OFFENDERS 14 OR OLDER TO BE
20 TRIED AS ADULTS.—Section 5031 of such title is amend-
21 ed by inserting “, except that such term shall not include
22 the violation of section 924(c) committed by a person on
23 or after his fourteenth birthday” before the period.

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