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H. R. 2942

To amend title 18, United States Code, to protect potential victims of sex crimes by strengthening the sentencing provisions for sex offenders.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. GRAVES (for himself, Mr. KENNEDY of Minnesota, and Mr. WILSON of South Carolina) 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 “Sexual Predator Sen-
5 tencing Act”.

6 SEC. 2. PENALTIES FOR SEXUAL ABUSE.

7 (a) AGGRAVATED SEXUAL ABUSE.—Section 2241 of
8 title 18, United States Code, is amended—

11 (b) SEXUAL ABUSE.—Section 2242 of title 18,
12 United States Code, is amended by striking all after “this
13 title” and inserting “and imprisoned not less than 15
14 years nor more than 40 years.”.

15 (c) SEXUAL ABUSE OF A MINOR OR WARD.—Section
16 2243 of title 18, United States Code, is amended—

20 (2) in subsection (b), by striking all after "this
21 title" and inserting "and imprisoned not less than 2
22 years nor more than 10 years.".

23 (d) ABUSIVE SEXUAL CONTACT.—Section 2244 of
24 title 18, United States Code, is amended—

25 (1) in subsection (a)—

5 (B) in paragraph (2), by striking all after
6 “under this title” and inserting “and impris-
7 oned not less than 5 years nor more than 30
8 years;”;

9 (C) in paragraph (3), by striking all after
10 “under this title” and inserting “and impris-
11 oned not less than 4 years nor more than 20
12 years; or”; and

13 (D) in paragraph (4), by striking all after
14 “under this title” and inserting “and impris-
15 oned not less than 1 year nor more than 5
16 years.”;

17 (2) in subsection (b), by striking all after
18 “under this title” and inserting “and imprisoned not
19 less than 6 months nor more than 5 years.”; and

20 (3) in subsection (c)—

21 (A) by striking “the maximum term” and
22 inserting “the minimum and maximum terms”;
23 and

24 (B) by striking “twice that” and inserting
25 “twice those”.

1 (e) SEXUAL ABUSE RESULTING IN DEATH.—Section
2 2245 of title 18, United States Code, is amended by strik-
3 ing all after “punished by death” and inserting “or, unless
4 section 3559(e) applies, imprisoned for any term of years
5 not less than 30 or for life.”.

6 (f) REPEAT OFFENDERS.—Subsection (a) of section
7 2247 of title 18, United States Code, is amended to read
8 as follows:

9 “(a) MANDATORY LIFE IMPRISONMENT.—The term
10 of imprisonment for a violation of this chapter after a
11 prior sex offense conviction shall be life, unless the death
12 penalty is imposed.”.

13 (g) MULTIPLE TERMS OF IMPRISONMENT.—

14 (1) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 109A of title 18,
15 United States Code, is amended by adding at the
16 end the following:

17 **“§ 2249. Multiple terms of imprisonment”**

18 “A term of imprisonment imposed under this chapter
19 shall not run concurrently with any other term of impris-
20 onment imposed under this chapter.”.

21 (2) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sec-
22 tions at the beginning of chapter 109A of title 18,
23 United Stated Code, is amended by adding at the
24 end the following:

“2249. Multiple terms of imprisonment.”.

1 **SEC. 3. PENALTIES FOR COERCION AND ENTICEMENT BY**2 **SEX OFFENDERS.**

3 Section 2422 of title 18, United States Code, is

4 amended—

5 (1) in subsections (a) and (b), by striking all

6 after “this title” and inserting “and imprisoned not

7 less than 10 years nor more than 30 years.”; and

8 (2) by adding at the end the following:

9 “(c) Notwithstanding section 2426(a), if a person vio-

10 lates this section after the person has previously been con-

11 victed of an offense under this section, or of a State of-

12 fense that would have been an offense under this section

13 had the offense occurred within the special maritime and

14 territorial jurisdiction of the United States, the minimum

15 and maximum terms of imprisonment for the violation

16 shall be twice those otherwise provided by this section, un-

17 less section 3559(e) applies.

18 “(d) A term of imprisonment imposed under this sec-

19 tion shall not run concurrently with any other term of im-

20 prisonment imposed under this section.”.

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