

116TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 8651

To acknowledge the crime of lynching, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 23, 2020

Mr. AMASH introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee
on the Judiciary

A BILL

To acknowledge the crime of lynching, and for other
purposes.

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. PROHIBITING LYNCHING.**

4 Section 249(a) of title 18, United States Code, is
5 amended—

6 (1) by redesignating paragraph (4) as para-
7 graph (5); and

8 (2) by inserting after paragraph (3) the fol-
9 lowing:

10 “(4) OFFENSES INVOLVING LYNCHING.—

1 “(A) IN GENERAL.—Whoever, acting with
2 one or more individuals, engages in conduct de-
3 scribed in paragraph (1) or (2) that results in
4 death, shall be subject to the same penalties as
5 prescribed in those paragraphs.

6 “(B) LIMITATION ON PROSECUTION.—A
7 person who is prosecuted for unlawful conduct
8 under this paragraph may not be prosecuted for
9 the same conduct under paragraph (1) or (2).”.

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