

119TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

S. 4305

To increase the criminal penalties for assaulting a Bureau of Prisons
correctional officer.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 15 (legislative day, APRIL 14), 2026

Mrs. BLACKBURN (for herself and Mr. COTTON) introduced the following bill;
which was read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

To increase the criminal penalties for assaulting a Bureau
of Prisons correctional officer.

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 “Safer Prisons Act of
5 2026”.

6 **SEC. 2. ENHANCED PENALTIES FOR ASSAULT ON BUREAU**
7 **OF PRISONS CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS.**

8 Section 111 of title 18, United States Code, is
9 amended—

1 (1) by redesignating subsection (c) as sub-
2 section (d); and

3 (2) by inserting after subsection (b) the fol-
4 lowing:

5 “(c) ENHANCED PENALTIES FOR ASSAULT ON BU-
6 REAU OF PRISONS CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS.—In the
7 case of any violation of this section against a correctional
8 officer of the Bureau of Prisons, the applicable maximum
9 term of imprisonment under this section shall be doubled,
10 and the applicable maximum fine shall be adjusted accord-
11 ingly.”.

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