

115<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
2<sup>D</sup> SESSION

# H. R. 4203

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## AN ACT

To amend title 18, United States Code, with regard to  
stalking.

1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Combat Online Preda-  
3 tors Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. ENHANCED PENALTY FOR STALKERS OF CHILDREN.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 110A of title 18, United  
6 States Code, is amended by inserting after section 2261A  
7 the following:

8 **“§ 2261B. Enhanced penalty for stalkers of children**

9 “If the victim of an offense under section 2261A is  
10 under the age of 18 years, the maximum imprisonment  
11 for the offense is 5 years greater than the maximum term  
12 of imprisonment otherwise provided for that offense in sec-  
13 tion 2261.”.

14 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections  
15 at the beginning of chapter 110A of title 18, United States  
16 Code, is amended by inserting after the item relating to  
17 section 2261A the following new item:

“2261B. Enhanced penalty for stalkers of children.”.

18 (c) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 2261A of  
19 title 18, United States Code, is amended by striking “sec-  
20 tion 2261(b) of this title” and inserting “section 2261(b)  
21 or section 2262B, as the case may be”.

1 **SEC. 3. REPORT ON BEST PRACTICES REGARDING EN-**  
2 **FORCEMENT OF ANTI-STALKING LAWS.**

3 Not later than 1 year after the date of the enactment  
4 of this Act, the Attorney General shall submit a report  
5 to Congress, which shall—

6 (1) include an evaluation of Federal, tribal,  
7 State, and local efforts to enforce laws relating to  
8 stalking; and

9 (2) identify and describe those elements of such  
10 efforts that constitute the best practices for the en-  
11 forcement of such laws.

Passed the House of Representatives April 10, 2018.

Attest:

*Clerk.*

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