104TH CONGRESS H. R. 2607

To prohibit desecration of Veterans' memorials.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

November 9, 1995

Mrs. Lowey 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 "Veterans' Memorials
- 5 Protection Act of 1995".
- 6 SEC. 2. DESECRATION OF VETERANS' MEMORIALS.
- 7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 65 of title 18, United
- 8 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the follow-
- 9 ing:
- 10 "§ 1368. Desecration of veterans' memorials
- 11 "Whoever willfully injures or commits any depreda-
- 12 tion against any structure, plaque, statue, or other monu-

- 1 ment on public property commemorating the service of any
- 2 person or persons in the armed forces of the United
- 3 States, shall be fined under this title or imprisoned not
- 4 more than 10 years, or both, but if the damage or at-
- 5 tempted damage does not exceed the sum of \$100, the
- 6 defendant shall be fined under this title or imprisoned not
- 7 more than one year, or both.".
- 8 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
- 9 at the beginning of chapter 65 of title 18, United States
- 10 Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

"1368. Desecration of veterans' memorials.".

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