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[Report No. 107-258]

To enhance the criminal penalties for illegal trafficking of archaeological resources, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JUNE 6, 2002

Mr. LEAHY (for himself, Mr. INOUYE, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. BINGAMAN, and Mrs. BOXER) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

SEPTEMBER 9, 2002

Reported by Mr. BINGAMAN, with an amendment

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in italic]

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 eited as the "Enhanced Protection

5 of Our Cultural Heritage Act of 2002".

1 SEC. 2. ENHANCED PENALTIES FOR CULTURAL HERITAGE 2 CRIMES.

3 PENALTY FOR ILLEGAL (a) ENHANCED TRAF-FICKING IN ARCHAEOLOGICAL RESOURCES.—Section 6(d) 4 5 of the Archaeological Resources Protection Act of 1979 (16 U.S.C. 470ee(d)) is amended by striking "not more 6 7 than \$10,000" and all that follows through the end of the subsection, and inserting "not more than \$100,000, im-8 prisoned not more than 10 years, or both.". 9

(b) ENHANCED PENALTY FOR EMBEZZLEMENT AND
THEFT FROM INDIAN TRIBAL ORGANIZATIONS. Section
1163 of title 18, United States Code, is amended by striking "five years" and inserting "10 years".

14 (e) ENHANCED PENALTY FOR ILLEGAL TRAF15 FICKING IN NATIVE AMERICAN HUMAN REMAINS AND
16 CULTURAL ITEMS.—Section 1170 of title 18, United
17 States Code, is amended—

(1) in subsection (a), by striking "or imprisoned not more than 12 months, or both, and in the
case of a second or subsequent violation, be fined in
accordance with this title, or imprisoned not more
than 5 years" and inserting "imprisoned not more
than 10 years"; and

24 (2) in subsection (b), by striking "imprisoned
25 not more than one year, or both, and in the case of
26 a second or subsequent violation, be fined in accord-

ance with this title, imprisoned not more than 5
 years' and inserting "imprisoned not more than 10
 vears".

4 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

5 This Act may be cited as the "Enhanced Protection6 of Our Cultural Heritage Act of 2002".

7 SEC. 2. ENHANCED PENALTIES FOR CULTURAL HERITAGE 8 CRIMES.

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9 and inserting "imprisoned not more than 10 years";
10 and

(2) in subsection (b), by striking "imprisoned 11 12 not more than one year" and all that follows through 13 the end of the subsection and inserting "imprisoned 14 not more than 10 years, or both; but if the sum of the 15 commercial and archaeological value of the cultural 16 items involved and the cost of restoration and repair 17 of such items does not exceed \$500, such person shall 18 be fined in accordance with this title, imprisoned not 19 more than one year, or both.".

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