

108TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 5416

To amend chapter 47 of title 10, United States Code (the Uniform Code of Military Justice), to define and punish stalking by persons subject to that chapter.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOVEMBER 19, 2004

Ms. LORETTA SANCHEZ of California introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services

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 “Military Stalking Pre-
5 vention Act of 2005”.

6 **SEC. 2. STALKING.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subchapter X of chapter 47 of
8 title 10, United States Code (the Uniform Code of Military

1 Justice), is amended by inserting after section 917 (article
2 117) the following new section:

3 **“§917a. 117a. Stalking**

4 “Any person subject to this chapter who wrongfully
5 and knowingly engages in a course of conduct, or a course
6 of unwanted communication, that would cause emotional
7 distress to a reasonable person or would place a reasonable
8 person in fear of injury to the person, property, or reputa-
9 tion of that person or any other person, is guilty of stalk-
10 ing and shall be punished as a court-martial may direct.”.

11 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
12 at the beginning of such subchapter is amended by insert-
13 ing after the item relating to section 917 (article 117) the
14 following new item:

“917a. 117a. Stalking.”.

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