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H. R. 5938

To amend title 18, United States Code, to provide secret service protection to former Vice Presidents, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 1, 2008

Mr. CONYERS (for himself, Mr. SMITH of Texas, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, and Mr. GOHMERT) 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 referred to as the “Former Vice
5 President Protection Act of 2008”.

6 **SEC. 2. SECRET SERVICE PROTECTION FOR FORMER VICE**
7 **PRESIDENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES.**

8 Section 3056(a) of title 18, United States Code, is
9 amended—

1 (1) by inserting immediately after paragraph
2 (7) the following:

3 “(8) Former Vice Presidents, their spouses, and
4 their children who are under 16 years of age, for a
5 period of not more than six months after the date
6 the former Vice President leaves office. The Sec-
7 retary of Homeland Security shall have the authority
8 to direct the Secret Service to provide temporary
9 protection for any of these individuals at any time
10 thereafter if the Secretary of Homeland Security or
11 designee determines that information or conditions
12 warrant such protection.”; and

13 (2) in the sentence immediately preceding sub-
14 section (b) of section 3056, by striking “(7)” and in-
15 serting “(8)”.

16 **SEC. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

17 The amendments made by this Act shall apply with
18 respect to any Vice President holding office on or after
19 the date of enactment of the Act.

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