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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 22, 2019

Mr. CRAWFORD (for himself and Ms. NORTON) 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 “Assaults on Water and
5 Aviation Reporting Enforcement Act of 2019” or as the
6 “AWARE Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. STATISTICS RELATING TO SEXUAL OFFENSES THAT**
2 **OCCUR ABOARD ANY MODE OF TRANSPOR-**
3 **TATION OVER WHICH THE FEDERAL GOVERN-**
4 **MENT EXERCISES JURISDICTION.**

5 (a) DATA COLLECTION.—Under the authority of sec-
6 tion 534 of title 28, United States Code, the Attorney
7 General shall acquire data, for each calendar year, about
8 sexual offenses (as such term is defined in section
9 111(a)(5) of the Sex Offender Registration and Notifica-
10 tion Act (34 U.S.C. 20911(a)(5))), including rape, that
11 occur aboard any mode of transportation over which the
12 Federal Government exercises jurisdiction (including air-
13 craft, any vessel of the United States or which travels in
14 interstate or foreign commerce or within the admiralty
15 and maritime jurisdiction of the United States, any vehicle
16 used or designed for flight or navigation in space, and any
17 vehicle which travels via any facility of interstate or for-
18 eign commerce), disaggregated by—

19 (1) the mode of transportation aboard which
20 the offense was committed, including—

21 (A) a specific disaggregation of offenses
22 committed aboard cruise ships (as such term is
23 defined in section 4071(d) of the Intelligence
24 Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act of 2004
25 (46 U.S.C. 70101 note)); and

1 (B) a specific disaggregation of offenses
2 committed aboard aircraft (as such term is de-
3 fined in section 31(a)(1) of title 18, United
4 States Code); and
5 (2) the location of the commission of the of-
6 fense.

7 (b) PUBLICATION.—Not later than 1 year after the
8 date of enactment of this Act, the Attorney General shall
9 publish the data acquired under subsection (a), except
10 that no personally identifiable information shall be pub-
11 lished.

12 (c) ADDITION TO NIBRS.—The Attorney General, in
13 accordance with the States, in compiling data regarding
14 sexual offenses as part of the National Incident-Based Re-
15 porting System (NIBRS) shall include modes of transpor-
16 tation aboard which such offenses were committed.

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