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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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## AN ACT

To amend section 249 of title 18, United States Code, to specify lynching as a hate crime act.

1        *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Emmett Till  
3 Antilynching Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. LYNCHING; OTHER CONSPIRACIES.**

5 Section 249(a) of title 18, United States Code, is  
6 amended by adding at the end the following:

7 “(5) LYNCHING.—Whoever conspires to commit  
8 any offense under paragraph (1), (2), or (3) shall,  
9 if death or serious bodily injury (as defined in sec-  
10 tion 2246 of this title) results from the offense, be  
11 imprisoned for not more than 30 years, fined in ac-  
12 cordance with this title, or both.

13 “(6) OTHER CONSPIRACIES.—Whoever con-  
14 spires to commit any offense under paragraph (1),  
15 (2), or (3) shall, if death or serious bodily injury (as  
16 defined in section 2246 of this title) results from the  
17 offense, or if the offense includes kidnapping or an  
18 attempt to kidnap, aggravated sexual abuse or an  
19 attempt to commit aggravated sexual abuse, or an  
20 attempt to kill, be imprisoned for not more than 30  
21 years, fined in accordance with this title, or both.”.

22 **SEC. 3. DETERMINATION OF BUDGETARY EFFECTS.**

23 The budgetary effects of this Act, for the purpose of  
24 complying with the Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2010,  
25 shall be determined by reference to the latest statement  
26 titled “Budgetary Effects of PAYGO Legislation” for this

