

Union Calendar No. 181

117TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 55

[Report No. 117-251]

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

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 4, 2021

Mr. RUSH introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

FEBRUARY 25, 2022

Additional sponsors: Ms. ESHOO, Ms. OMAR, Mr. AUCHINCLOSS, Mrs. AXNE, Ms. BARRAGÁN, Mrs. BEATTY, Mr. BISHOP of Georgia, Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER, Ms. BONAMICI, Mr. BOWMAN, Mr. BROWN of Maryland, Mrs. BUSTOS, Mr. BUTTERFIELD, Mr. CARSON, Mr. CARTWRIGHT, Mr. CASTEN, Ms. CASTOR of Florida, Mr. CICILLINE, Ms. CLARK of Massachusetts, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Mr. CONNOLLY, Mr. COOPER, Mr. COSTA, Ms. CRAIG, Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois, Ms. DEAN, Mr. DEFAZIO, Ms. DELBENE, Mrs. DEMINGS, Mrs. DINGELL, Mr. MICHAEL F. DOYLE of Pennsylvania, Mr. ESPAILLAT, Mr. EVANS, Mr. FOSTER, Mr. GALLEGO, Mr. GARAMENDI, Mr. GARCÍA of Illinois, Mr. GREEN of Texas, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. HASTINGS, Mrs. HAYES, Mr. HIGGINS of New York, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Mr. JEFFRIES, Ms. JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Mr. JONES, Ms. KAPTUR, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Mr. KILDEE, Mr. KILMER, Mr. KRISHNAMOORTHY, Mr. LARSON of Connecticut, Ms. LEE of California, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Mrs. LURIA, Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York, Mr. SEAN PATRICK MALONEY of New York, Ms. MCCOLLUM, Mr. MCGOVERN, Ms. MENG, Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin, Mr. NADLER, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Ms. NEWMAN, Ms. NORTON, Mr. O'HALLERAN, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. PANETTA, Mr. PAPPAS, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. PETERS, Ms. PINGREE, Mr. POCAN, Mr. PRICE of North Carolina, Mr. QUIGLEY, Mr. RASKIN, Miss RICE of New York, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. RYAN, Ms. SÁNCHEZ, Mr. SARBANES, Ms. SCANLON, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. SCHRADER, Ms. SEWELL, Mr. SIRES, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Ms. SPEIER, Ms. STEVENS, Mr. SUOZZI, Mr. SWALWELL,

Mr. TAKANO, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Ms. TLAIB, Mr. TONKO, Mr. TORRES of New York, Mrs. TRAHAN, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Mr. WELCH, Ms. WILLIAMS of Georgia, Ms. WILSON of Florida, Mr. YARMUTH, Mr. RUPPERSBERGER, Mrs. LAWRENCE, Mrs. KIRKPATRICK, Mr. SOTO, Mr. CÁRDENAS, Mr. NEGUSE, Mr. CUELLAR, Ms. ROSS, Mr. LYNCH, Mr. LARSEN of Washington, Mr. THOMPSON of California, Ms. MANNING, Ms. JAYAPAL, Ms. ADAMS, Mr. SCHNEIDER, Mr. VEASEY, Ms. WILD, Mr. AGUILAR, Mr. MEEKS, Mr. BRENDAN F. BOYLE of Pennsylvania, Mr. MOULTON, Ms. UNDERWOOD, Mr. CARBAJAL, Mr. VELA, Mr. KAHELE, Mr. VARGAS, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. HORSFORD, Mrs. FLETCHER, Mr. SAN NICOLAS, Ms. WEXTON, Mr. STANTON, Mr. GOMEZ, Ms. SPANBERGER, Ms. MATSUI, Mr. PHILLIPS, Ms. BASS, Mr. MRVAN, Ms. GARCIA of Texas, Ms. BOURDEAUX, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, Mr. MFUME, Ms. JACOBS of California, Mr. KEATING, Ms. KUSTER, Mr. KIM of New Jersey, Ms. WATERS, Mr. CLEAVER, Ms. DEGETTE, Mr. MORELLE, Ms. HOULAHAN, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Mr. MCNERNEY, Mr. KHANNA, Mr. DELGADO, Ms. BUSH, Mr. KIND, Mr. MCEACHIN, Mr. DESAULNIER, Ms. SLOTKIN, Mrs. MCBATH, Mr. LIEU, Ms. STRICKLAND, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Ms. SCHRIER, Ms. LOIS FRANKEL of Florida, Mr. HIMES, Mr. LANGEVIN, Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia, Ms. STANSBURY, Mr. GOHMERT, Mr. HUFFMAN, Mr. COHEN, Mr. LAWSON of Florida, Ms. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. LAMB, Ms. TITUS, and Mr. LEVIN of Michigan

FEBRUARY 25, 2022

Reported with an amendment, committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, and ordered to be printed

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

[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on January 4, 2021]

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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 “Emmett Till*
5 *Antilynching Act”.*

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

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

9 *“(5) LYNCHING; OTHER CONSPIRACIES.—Who-*
10 *ever conspires to commit any offense under paragraph*
11 *(1), (2), or (3), shall—*

12 *“(A) if death results from the offense, be im-*
13 *prisoned for any term of years or for life, fined*
14 *in accordance with this title, or both; or*

15 *“(B) in any other case, be subject to the*
16 *same penalties as the penalties prescribed for the*
17 *offense the commission of which was the object of*
18 *the conspiracy.”.*

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