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To prevent and prosecute white supremacy inspired hate crime and conspiracy to commit white supremacy inspired hate crime.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Ms. JACKSON LEE (for herself, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Mr. CARSON, Mr. CICILLINE, Mr. MFUME, Mr. CARTER of Louisiana, Mrs. CHERFILUS-McCORMICK, Mr. CLEAVER, and Mr. BUTTERFIELD) 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 “Leading Against White
5 Supremacy Act of 2022”.

6 **SEC. 2. WHITE SUPREMACY INSPIRED HATE CRIME.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—A person shall be determined to
8 have engaged in a white supremacy inspired hate crime
9 when white supremacy ideology is found to have motivated

1 the planning, development, preparation, or perpetration of
2 actions that constituted a crime or were undertaken in fur-
3 therance of activity that, if effectuated, would have con-
4 stituted a crime.

5 (b) CONSPIRACY.—A conspiracy to engage in white
6 supremacy inspired hate crime shall be determined to
7 exist—

8 (1) between two or more persons engaged in the
9 planning, development, preparation, or perpetration
10 of a white supremacy inspired hate crime; or

11 (2) between two or more persons—

12 (A) at least one of whom engaged in the
13 planning, development, preparation, or per-
14 petration of a white supremacy inspired hate
15 crime; and

16 (B) at least one of whom published mate-
17 rial advancing white supremacy, white suprema-
18 cist ideology, antagonism toward “replacement
19 theory”, or hate speech that vilifies or is other-
20 wise directed against any non-white person or
21 group, and such published material—

22 (i) was published on a social media
23 platform or by other means of publication
24 with the likelihood that it would be viewed
25 by persons who are predisposed to engag-

1 ing in any action in furtherance of a white
2 supremacy inspired hate crime, or who are
3 susceptible to being encouraged to engage
4 in actions in furtherance of a white su-
5 premacY inspired hate crime;

6 (ii) could, as determined by a reason-
7 able person, motivate actions by a person
8 predisposed to engaging in a white suprem-
9 acy inspired hate crime or by a person who
10 is susceptible to being encouraged to en-
11 gage in actions relating to a white suprem-
12 acy inspired hate crime; and

13 (iii) was read, heard, or viewed by a
14 person who engaged in the planning, devel-
15 opment, preparation, or perpetration of a
16 white supremacy inspired hate crime.

17 (c) DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE AUTHORITY, EN-
18 FORCEMENT, MONITORING, AND REPORTING.—The De-
19 partment shall have authority to conduct operations and
20 activities pursuant to this section, specifically—

21 (1) with regard to information or evidence ob-
22 tained by the Department of any action cited in this
23 section, the Department shall have the authority to
24 investigate, intercede, and undertake other actions
25 that it deems necessary and appropriate to interdict,

1 mitigate, or prevent such action from culminating in
2 violent activity;

3 (2) the Department shall have the authority to
4 prosecute persons who engaged in actions cited in
5 this section; and

6 (3) the Uniform Crime Reporting Program in
7 the Department of Justice shall maintain records of
8 white supremacy inspired hate crimes and related
9 actions cited in this section, and enforcement actions
10 in response thereto.

11 The Department shall provide annual reports to the ap-
12 propriate committees in Congress that shall include infor-
13 mation cited in this paragraph.

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