

118TH CONGRESS  
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# H. R. 441

To amend title 18, United States Code, with respect to the concealment, removal, or mutilation of a Supreme Court opinion or draft opinion, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 20, 2023

Mr. TIMMONS (for himself, Mr. DUNCAN, Mr. FRY, Mr. NORMAN, Mr. ADERHOLT, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr. GUEST, Mr. WEBER of Texas, Mr. WILSON of South Carolina, and Ms. MACE) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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## 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 “Leak and Lose Act  
5 of 2023”.

1 **SEC. 2. CONCEALMENT, REMOVAL, OR MUTILATION OF SU-**  
2 **PREME COURT OPINION OR DRAFT OPINION.**

3 Section 2071 of title 18, United States Code, is  
4 amended by adding at the end the following new sub-  
5 section:

6 “(c) Whoever willfully and unlawfully conceals, re-  
7 moves, mutilates, obliterates, or destroys, or attempts to  
8 do so, or, with intent to do so takes and carries away (in-  
9 cluding electronically) from a building in which the Su-  
10 preme Court conducts business, any opinion or draft opin-  
11 ion of a case being heard by the Supreme Court, prior  
12 to the date on which such opinion is published by the Su-  
13 preme Court, shall be fined \$5000, and if applicable, shall  
14 forfeit their admission to all Federal courts and shall be  
15 ineligible for admission to a Federal court for the remain-  
16 der of their life.”.

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