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To amend title 18, United States Code, to provide increased penalties for mass killings involving machineguns or certain semiautomatic weapons, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. MOULTON (for himself and Ms. ESCOBAR) 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 “End Domestic Ter-
5 rorism Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. MASS KILLINGS USING MACHINEGUNS OR COVERED**
2 **SEMIAUTOMATIC WEAPONS.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 113B of title 18, United
4 States Code, is amended by inserting after section 2332i
5 the following:

6 **“§ 2332j. Mass killings using machineguns or covered**
7 **semiautomatic weapons**

8 “(a) Whoever kills 3 or more people in a single inci-
9 dent using a machinegun, a destructive device, or a cov-
10 ered semiautomatic weapon in a circumstance described
11 in subsection (b) and at a location described in subsection
12 (c), shall be imprisoned for any term of years or for life.

13 “(b) A circumstance described in this subsection is
14 any one of the following:

15 “(1) The mail or any facility of interstate or
16 foreign commerce was used in furtherance of the of-
17 fense.

18 “(2) The machinegun or covered semiautomatic
19 weapon used in the commission of the offense was
20 transported in interstate or foreign commerce.

21 “(3) The perpetrator traveled in or caused an-
22 other to travel in interstate or foreign commerce in
23 furtherance of the offense.

24 “(4) The offense occurred within the special
25 maritime and territorial jurisdiction of the United
26 States.

1 “(5) The offense otherwise occurred in or af-
2 fected interstate or foreign commerce.

3 “(c) A location described in this subsection is any one
4 of the following:

5 “(1) A school or location of a school-sponsored
6 activity or organization.

7 “(2) A place of worship.

8 “(3) A medical facility or care facility.

9 “(4) A childcare facility.

10 “(5) A government building, including a Fed-
11 eral building, a municipal building, and a court-
12 house, or a voting location.

13 “(6) An entertainment or educational venue or
14 facility, including a concert venue, a professional
15 sporting event, a museum, a library, a movie the-
16 ater, a theater venue, an arcade, a bowling alley, or
17 an amusement park.

18 “(7) A scheduled public event, such as a pa-
19 rade, a ceremony, or a race.

20 “(8) A retail location, including a mall, a gro-
21 cery store, a convenience store, a bar, or a res-
22 taurant.

23 “(9) An office building.”.

24 (b) DEFINITION.—Section 2331 of chapter 113B is
25 amended—

1 (1) in paragraph (5), by striking “and” at the
2 end;

3 (2) in paragraph (6), by striking the period at
4 the end and inserting a semicolon; and

5 (3) by adding at the end the following:

6 “(7) the term ‘covered semiautomatic weapon’
7 means—

8 “(A) semiautomatic rifle that—

9 “(i) has a magazine that is not a fixed
10 magazine; and

11 “(ii) does have any one of—

12 “(I) a pistol grip;

13 “(II) a forward grip;

14 “(III) a folding, telescoping, or
15 detachable stock, or is otherwise
16 foldable or adjustable in a manner
17 that operates to reduce the length,
18 size, or any other dimension, or other-
19 wise enhances the concealability, of
20 the weapon;

21 “(IV) a grenade launcher;

22 “(V) a barrel shroud; or

23 “(VI) a threaded barrel;

24 “(B) a semiautomatic rifle that has a fixed
25 magazine with the capacity to accept more than

1 10 rounds, except for an attached tubular de-
2 vice designed to accept, and capable of oper-
3 ating only with, .22 caliber rimfire ammunition;

4 “(C) any part, combination of parts, com-
5 ponent, device, attachment, or accessory that is
6 designed or functions to accelerate the rate of
7 fire of a semiautomatic firearm but not convert
8 the semiautomatic firearm into a machinegun;

9 “(D) a semiautomatic shotgun that—

10 “(i) has the capacity to utilize a mag-
11 azine that is not a fixed magazine; and

12 “(ii) does have any one of—

13 “(I) a folding, telescoping, or de-
14 tachable stock;

15 “(II) a pistol grip or bird’s head
16 grip;

17 “(III) a fixed magazine with the
18 capacity to accept more than 5
19 rounds;

20 “(IV) the ability to accept a de-
21 tachable magazine;

22 “(V) a forward grip; or

23 “(VI) a grenade launcher;

24 “(E) any AK or AR type of weapon, in-
25 cluding a rifle, copy, duplicate, variant, or al-

1 tered facsimile with the capability of any such
2 weapon; and

3 “(F) any weapon that is substantially simi-
4 lar to a weapon described in subparagraphs (A)
5 through (E) determined by the Attorney Gen-
6 eral pursuant to a rule, which shall be made on
7 the record after opportunity for a hearing pur-
8 suant to the rulemaking procedures prescribed
9 by subchapter II of chapter 5 of title 5;

10 “(8) the term ‘machinegun’ has the meaning
11 given such term in section 5845(b) of the Internal
12 Revenue Code of 1986; and

13 “(9) the term ‘destructive device’ has the mean-
14 ing given such term in section 921.”.

15 (c) PROVIDING MATERIAL SUPPORT.—Section
16 2339A(a) of title 18, United States Code, is amended by
17 inserting after “2332f,” the following: “2332j,”.

18 (d) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
19 for chapter 113B of title 18, United States Code, is
20 amended by inserting after the item related to section
21 2332i the following:

 “2332j. Mass killings using machineguns or covered semiautomatic weapons.”.

1 **SEC. 3. REPORT ON CHARGES FILED FOR USE OF WEAPONS**
2 **OF MASS DESTRUCTION AND PROVIDING MA-**
3 **TERIAL SUPPORT TO TERRORISTS.**

4 On the date that is one year after the date of enact-
5 ment of this Act, and annually thereafter, the Attorney
6 General shall submit to Congress a report on each case
7 in which the Department of Justice has filed charges
8 under section 2332j or 2339a of title 18, United States
9 Code, during the previous year, which shall include the
10 following:

11 (1) For each case in which charges under sec-
12 tion 2332j of title 18, United States Code, were
13 filed—

14 (A) the date of the alleged offense;

15 (B) the number of individuals who were in-
16 jured;

17 (C) the number of fatalities;

18 (D) the age, gender, race, ethnicity, and
19 nationality of each individual charged under
20 such section; and

21 (E) the weapon used in the alleged offense.

22 (2) For each case in which charges under sec-
23 tion 2339a of title 18, United States Code, were
24 filed—

25 (A) the type of support alleged to have
26 been provided;

1 (B) to whom such support was alleged to
2 have been provided; and

3 (C) the age, gender, race, ethnicity, and
4 nationality of each individual charged under
5 such section.

6 **SEC. 4. INCLUSION OF DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION IN**
7 **REPORTS CONCERNING INTERCEPTED WIRE,**
8 **ORAL, OR ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS.**

9 Section 2519(2)(c) of title 18, United States Code,
10 is amended by inserting after “order or extension,” the
11 following: “, the age, gender, race, ethnicity, and nation-
12 ality of each individual arrested,”.

13 **SEC. 5. PUBLIC REPORTING REQUIREMENT.**

14 Not later than 180 days after the Department of Jus-
15 tice files charges under section 2332j of title 18, United
16 States Code, the Attorney General shall make publicly
17 available on the website of the Department of Justice a
18 report, which shall include the following:

19 (1) The number of individuals present at the lo-
20 cation of the offense.

21 (2) Total amount expended by Federal, State,
22 and local governments in response to the offense, in-
23 cluding law enforcement response, reimbursement
24 for medical expenses, the provision of mental health

1 services, and support provided to affected busi-
2 nesses.

3 (3) Total amount of lost business revenue as a
4 result of the offense.

5 (4) The total amount of assistance provided as
6 a result of the offense through compensation and as-
7 sistance programs, such as the Crime Victims Fund.

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