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To amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit the doxxing of law enforcement officers, prosecutors, and judges, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. GOTTHEIMER (for himself, Mr. BACON, Mr. MOSKOWITZ, Ms. STEFANIK, Ms. GILLEN, Mr. LAWLER, Mr. DAVIS of North Carolina, Mr. FITZPATRICK, and Mr. RUTHERFORD) 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 “Stop the Doxx Act”.

5 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

6 Congress finds the following:

7 (1) Targeted harassment of law enforcement of-
8 ficers, prosecutors, and judges has increased signifi-
9 cantly in recent years, including threats made pos-

1 sible by the online publication of personal informa-
2 tion.

3 (2) The publication of home addresses, personal
4 contact information, and family details of public
5 servants with intent to intimidate poses a direct
6 threat to public safety and the integrity of the jus-
7 tice system.

8 (3) No comprehensive Federal statute currently
9 prohibits this conduct.

10 **SEC. 3. PROHIBITION ON DOXXING OF PROTECTED PUBLIC**
11 **SERVANTS.**

12 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 73 of title 18, United
13 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-
14 lowing:

15 **“§ 1522. Doxxing of protected public servants**

16 “(a) OFFENSE.—Whoever, in or affecting interstate
17 or foreign commerce, knowingly publishes or otherwise
18 makes publicly available the home address, personal tele-
19 phone number, personal email address, or other personally
20 identifying information of a covered public servant or an
21 immediate family member, with intent to threaten, intimi-
22 date, or facilitate violence against that person, shall be—

23 “(1) in the case of a first offense, fined under
24 this title, imprisoned not more than 10 years, or
25 both;

1 “(2) in the case of a second or subsequent of-
2 fense, fined under this title, imprisoned for not more
3 than 20 years, or both; or

4 “(3) in the case of an offense that results in
5 bodily injury or death—

6 “(A) in the case of a first offense, fined
7 under this title, imprisoned for not more than
8 30 years, or both; or

9 “(B) in the case of a second or subsequent
10 offense, fined under this title, imprisoned for
11 not more than 40 years, or both.

12 “(b) CIVIL ACTION.—A covered public servant or an
13 immediate family member who is the victim of a violation
14 of this section may bring a civil action in an appropriate
15 district court of the United States. In a civil action under
16 this subsection, the court may award damages, injunctive
17 relief, and attorney’s fees.

18 “(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

19 “(1) The term ‘covered public servant’ means a
20 Federal, State, or local law enforcement officer,
21 prosecutor, or judge.

22 “(2) The term ‘immediate family member’
23 means a spouse, child, parent, or sibling of a covered
24 public servant.

1 “(3) The term ‘publishes’ means to post on a
 2 publicly accessible website, social media platform,
 3 online forum, or any other digital or print medium
 4 accessible to third parties.”.

5 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
 6 for chapter 73 of title 18, United States Code, is amended
 7 by adding at the end the following:

 “1522. Doxxing of protected public servants.”.

8 **SEC. 4. TRAINING FOR PROTECTED PUBLIC SERVANTS ON**
 9 **PERSONAL INFORMATION SECURITY.**

10 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Attorney General shall estab-
 11 lish and make available a comprehensive training program
 12 for covered public servants (as such term is defined in sec-
 13 tion 1522 of title 18, United States Code) on protecting
 14 personal information online.

15 (b) DELIVERY AND ACCESSIBILITY.—The training
 16 program shall be—

17 (1) made available online and through in-person
 18 formats to accommodate Federal, State, and local
 19 agencies of varying size and resource capacity;

20 (2) updated no less than annually to reflect cur-
 21 rent threats and evolving digital environments; and

22 (3) offered at no cost to covered public servants
 23 at the Federal, State, and local level.

24 (c) ENCOURAGEMENT TO STATE AND LOCAL AGEN-
 25 CIES.—The Attorney General shall encourage State and

1 local law enforcement agencies, prosecutorial offices, and
2 court systems to require completion of the training pro-
3 gram established under this section as part of their stand-
4 ard onboarding and annual continuing education require-
5 ments.

6 (d) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is
7 authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be nec-
8 essary to carry out this section.

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