

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 119-

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OFFERED BY MR. GOTTHEIMER OF NEW JERSEY

At the end of subtitle B of title XVII, insert the following new section:

1 **SEC. 17__ . PROHIBITION ON DOXXING OF PROTECTED**
2 **PUBLIC SERVANTS.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 73 of title 18, United
4 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:
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6 **“§ 1522. Doxxing of protected public servants**

7 “(a) OFFENSE.—Whoever, in or affecting interstate
8 or foreign commerce, knowingly publishes or otherwise
9 makes publicly available the home address, personal telephone
10 number, personal email address, or other personally
11 identifying information of a covered public servant or an
12 immediate family member, with intent to threaten, intimidate,
13 or facilitate violence against that person, shall be—

14 “(1) in the case of a first offense, fined under
15 this title, imprisoned not more than 10 years, or
16 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, imprisoned for not more than 40 years,
11 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 (c) TRAINING FOR PROTECTED PUBLIC SERVANTS
9 ON PERSONAL INFORMATION SECURITY.—

10 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Attorney General shall
11 establish and make available a comprehensive train-
12 ing program for covered public servants (as such
13 term is defined in section 1522 of title 18, United
14 States Code) on protecting personal information on-
15 line.

16 (2) DELIVERY AND ACCESSIBILITY.—The train-
17 ing program shall be—

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

22 (B) updated no less than annually to re-
23 flect current threats and evolving digital envi-
24 ronments; and

1 (C) offered at no cost to covered public
2 servants at the Federal, State, and local level.

3 (3) ENCOURAGEMENT TO STATE AND LOCAL
4 AGENCIES.—The Attorney General shall encourage
5 State and local law enforcement agencies, prosecu-
6 torial offices, and court systems to require comple-
7 tion of the training program established under this
8 section as part of their standard onboarding and an-
9 nual continuing education requirements.

10 (4) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—
11 There is authorized to be appropriated such sums as
12 may be necessary to carry out this subsection.

