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Page 217, after line 10, insert the following new section:

SEC. 5. SENSE OF CONGRESS REGARDING STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS FOR RAPE OR SEXUAL ASSAULT.

(a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds that the Bipartisan Legal Advisory Group established under clause 8(b) of rule II of the Rules of the House of Representatives could direct the Office of General Counsel of the House of Representatives to take steps to protect the institutional interests of the House of Representatives in any case in which the opinion of the United States Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces regarding the statute of limitations for rape or sexual assault under U.S. v. Mangahas, No. 17-0434-AF, is involved in a defendant’s appeal, including filing amicus briefs and providing other support for the position that the prosecution of an individual under the Uniform Code of Military Justice for a rape or sexual assault committed before January 6, 2006, should not be time-barred based on such opinion.
(b) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Congress that—

(1) the passage of time should not bar the prosecution of rape or sexual assault under the Uniformed Code of Military Justice; and

(2) the prosecution of an individual under such Code for a rape or sexual assault committed before January 6, 2006, should not be time-barred.