

104TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

# H. R. 3454

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 14, 1996

Mr. SCHUMER 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 “Enhanced Prosecution  
5 and Punishment of Armed Felons Act of 1996”.

1 **SEC. 2. ENHANCED PENALTIES FOR DISCHARGING OR POS-**  
2 **SESSING A FIREARM DURING A CRIME OF VI-**  
3 **OLENCE OR DRUG TRAFFICKING CRIME.**

4 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Sections 924(c)(1) and 929(a)(1)  
5 of title 18, United States Code, are each amended by strik-  
6 ing “uses or carries” and inserting “possesses”.

7 (b) **CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.**—Sections  
8 924(c)(1) and 929(b) of such title are each amended by  
9 striking “used or carried” and inserting “possessed”.

10 **SEC. 3. ENHANCED PENALTIES FOR DISCHARGING OR**  
11 **USING A FIREARM TO CAUSE SERIOUS BOD-**  
12 **ILY INJURY DURING A CRIME OF VIOLENCE**  
13 **OR DRUG TRAFFICKING CRIME.**

14 Section 924(c)(1) of title 18, United States Code, is  
15 amended by inserting “or is discharged or otherwise used  
16 to cause serious bodily injury (as defined in section  
17 1365(g)(3)),” before “to imprisonment for ten years”.

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