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To amend section 2241 of title 18, United States Code, to provide for Federal jurisdiction over sexual predators.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. D'AMATO (for himself and Mr. KERRY) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and 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. FEDERAL JURISDICTION OVER RAPE AND SEX-**

4 **UAL ASSAULT CASES.**

5 Section 2241 of title 18, United States Code, is  
6 amended by adding at the end the following:

7 “(e) PUNISHMENT FOR SEXUAL PREDATORS.—(1)

8 Whoever, in a circumstance described in paragraph (2) of  
9 this subsection—

10 “(A) violates this section; or

1           “(B) engages in conduct that would violate this  
2 section, if the conduct had occurred in the special  
3 maritime and territorial jurisdiction of the United  
4 States, and—

5           “(i) that conduct is in interstate or foreign  
6 commerce;

7           “(ii) the person engaging in that conduct  
8 crossed a State line with intent to engage in the  
9 conduct; or

10           “(iii) the person engaging in that conduct  
11 thereafter engages in conduct that is a violation  
12 of section 1073(1) with respect to an offense  
13 that consists of the conduct so engaged in;  
14 shall be imprisoned for life.

15           “(2) The circumstance referred to in paragraph (1)  
16 of this subsection is that the defendant has previously  
17 been convicted of another State or Federal offense for con-  
18 duct which—

19           “(A) is an offense under this section or section  
20 2242 of this title; or

21           “(B) would have been an offense under either  
22 of such sections if the offense had occurred in the  
23 special maritime or territorial jurisdiction of the  
24 United States.”.

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