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H. R. 5298

To amend title 18, United States Code, to create an offense of solicitation or recruitment of persons in criminal street gang activity.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. GALLEGLY introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on 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 “Anti-Gang Violence
5 Act of 2000”.

6 **SEC. 2. SOLICITATION OR RECRUITMENT OF PERSONS IN**
7 **CRIMINAL STREET GANG ACTIVITY.**

8 (a) PROHIBITED CONDUCT.—Chapter 26 of title 18,
9 United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the
10 following:

1 **“§ 522. Recruitment of persons to participate in**
2 **criminal street gang activity**

3 “(a) PROHIBITED CONDUCT.—It shall be unlawful
4 for any person, to use any facility in, or travel in, inter-
5 state or foreign commerce, or cause another to do so, to
6 recruit, solicit, induce, command, or cause another person
7 to be or remain as a member of a criminal street gang,
8 or conspire to do so, with the intent that the person being
9 recruited, solicited, induced, commanded, or caused to be
10 or remain a member of such gang participate in an offense
11 described in section 521(c).

12 “(b) PENALTIES.—Whoever violates subsection (a)
13 shall—

14 “(1) be imprisoned not more than 10 years,
15 fined under this title, or both; and

16 “(2) be liable for any costs incurred by the
17 Federal Government or by any State or local govern-
18 ment for housing, maintaining, and treating the
19 minor until the minor attains the age of 18 years.

20 “(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

21 “(1) CRIMINAL STREET GANG.—The term
22 ‘criminal street gang’ has the meaning given the
23 term in section 521.

24 “(2) MINOR.—The term ‘minor’ means a per-
25 son who is younger than 18 years of age.”

1 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
2 at the beginning of chapter 26 of title 18, United States
3 Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new
4 item:

“522. Recruitment of persons to participate in criminal street gang activity.”.

