

109<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
1<sup>ST</sup> SESSION

# S. 1633

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

SEPTEMBER 8, 2005

Mr. TALENT (for himself and Mr. BOND) 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. SHORT TITLE.**

4       This Act may be cited as the "Stop Online Predators  
5 Act".

6       **SEC. 2. COERCION AND ENTICEMENT.**

7       Section 2422(b) of title 18, United States Code, is  
8 amended to read as follows:

1       “(b) Whoever, using the mail or any facility or means  
2 of interstate or foreign commerce, or within the special  
3 maritime or territorial jurisdiction of the United States—

4           “(1) knowingly persuades, induces, entices, or  
5 coerces any individual to engage in prostitution or  
6 any sexual activity for which any person can be  
7 charged with a criminal offense, if such individual—

8           “(A) has not attained the age of 18 years;

9           or

10           “(B) has been represented to the person as  
11 being an individual who has not attained the  
12 age of 18 years; or

13           “(2) attempts to do so;

14 shall be fined under this title and imprisoned not less than  
15 5 years and not more than 30 years.”.

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