

115TH CONGRESS  
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# H. R. 6086

To amend section 249 of title 18, United States Code, to specify lynching as a hate crime act.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 13, 2018

Mr. RUSH (for himself, Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois, Ms. MAXINE WATERS of California, Mr. CLYBURN, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Mr. CLAY, Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Ms. BASS, Ms. SEWELL of Alabama, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. JEFFRIES, Ms. ADAMS, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Ms. MOORE, Ms. NORTON, Ms. LEE, Mrs. BEATTY, Mr. MEEKS, Mrs. DEMINGS, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. BUTTERFIELD, Mr. HASTINGS, Mr. BROWN of Maryland, Mr. ELLISON, Mr. EVANS, Ms. WILSON of Florida, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Mr. RICHMOND, Mr. CLEAVER, Mrs. LAWRENCE, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Ms. FUDGE, Mr. BISHOP of Georgia, and Mr. CARSON of Indiana) 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. SPECIFYING LYNCHING AS A HATE CRIME ACT.**

4 Section 249 of title 18, United States Code, is  
5 amended by inserting after paragraph 3 the following:

1           “(4) OFFENSES INVOLVING LYNCHING.—Who-  
2           ever, whether or not acting under color of law, will-  
3           fully, acting as part of any collection of people, as-  
4           sembled for the purpose and with the intention of  
5           committing an act of violence upon any person,  
6           causes death to any person, shall be imprisoned for  
7           any term of years or for life, fined under this title,  
8           or both.”.

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