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1ST SESSION

H. R. 405

To amend title 18, United States Code, to provide a penalty enhancement for the use of juveniles in Federal offenses.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 4, 1995

Mr. ZIMMER introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the 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. OFFENSE.**

4 Chapter 1 of title 18, United States Code, is amended
5 by adding at the end the following:

6 **“§21. Use of children in Federal offenses**

7 “(a) Except as otherwise provided by law, whoever,
8 being at least 18 years of age, uses a child to commit a
9 Federal offense, or to assist in avoiding detection or ap-
10 prehension for a Federal offense, shall—

1 “(1) after a previous conviction under this sub-
2 section has become final, be subject to 3 times the
3 maximum imprisonment and 3 times the maximum
4 fine otherwise provided for the Federal offense in
5 which the child is used; and

6 “(2) in any other case, be subject to 2 times the
7 maximum imprisonment and 2 times the maximum
8 fine for such offense.

9 “(b) As used in this section—

10 “(1) the term ‘child’ means a person who is
11 under 18 years of age; and

12 “(2) the term ‘uses’ means employs, hires, uses,
13 persuades, induces, entices, or coerces.”.

14 **SEC. 2. CLERICAL AMENDMENT.**

15 The table of sections at the beginning of chapter 1
16 of title 18, United States Code, is amended by adding at
17 the end the following new item:

“21. Use of children in Federal offenses.”.

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