

**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 6100**  
**OFFERED BY MR. GOHMERT OF TEXAS**  
**Amendment to the STOP FGM Act of 2020**

Page 1, strike line 7, and all that follows through page 8, line 3, and insert the following:

1 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

2 Congress finds the following:

3 (1) Congress has previously prohibited the prac-  
4 tice of female genital mutilation on minors, which  
5 causes physical and psychological harm and is often  
6 beyond the ability of any single State or jurisdiction  
7 to control.

8 (2) Individuals who perform the practice of fe-  
9 male genital mutilation on minors rely on a connec-  
10 tion to interstate or foreign commerce, such as inter-  
11 state or foreign travel, the transmission or receipt of  
12 communications in interstate or foreign commerce,  
13 or interstate or foreign payments of any kind in fur-  
14 therance of this conduct.

15 (3) Amending section 116 of title 18, United  
16 States Code, to specify a link to interstate or foreign  
17 commerce would confirm that Congress has the af-  
18 firmative power to prohibit this conduct.

1 **SEC. 3. AMENDMENTS TO CURRENT LAW PROHIBITING FE-**  
2 **MALE GENITAL MUTILATION.**

3 Section 116 of title 18, United States Code, is  
4 amended—

5 (1) in subsection (a)—

6 (A) by inserting “, in any circumstance de-  
7 scribed in subsection (e),” after “whoever”; and

8 (B) by striking “imprisoned not more than  
9 5 years” and inserting “imprisoned not more  
10 than 10 years”;

11 (2) in subsection (d), by striking “imprisoned  
12 not more than 5 years” and inserting “imprisoned  
13 not more than 10 years”; and

14 (3) by adding at the end the following:

15 “(e) For purposes of subsection (a), the cir-  
16 cumstances described in this subsection are that—

17 “(1) the defendant or victim traveled in inter-  
18 state or foreign commerce, or traveled using a  
19 means, channel, facility, or instrumentality of inter-  
20 state or foreign commerce, in furtherance of or in  
21 connection with the conduct described in subsection  
22 (a);

23 “(2) the defendant used a means, channel, fa-  
24 cility, or instrumentality of interstate or foreign  
25 commerce in furtherance of or in connection with  
26 the conduct described in subsection (a);

1           “(3) any payment of any kind was made, di-  
2           rectly or indirectly, in furtherance of or in connec-  
3           tion with the conduct described in subsection (a)  
4           using any means, channel, facility, or instrumen-  
5           tality of interstate or foreign commerce or in or af-  
6           fecting interstate or foreign commerce;

7           “(4) the defendant transmitted in interstate or  
8           foreign commerce any communication relating to or  
9           in furtherance of the conduct described in subsection  
10          (a) using any means, channel, facility, or instrumen-  
11          tality of interstate or foreign commerce or in or af-  
12          fecting interstate or foreign commerce by any means  
13          or in any manner, including by computer, mail, wire,  
14          or electromagnetic transmission;

15          “(5) the conduct described in subsection (a) oc-  
16          curred within the special maritime and territorial ju-  
17          risdiction of the United States, or within the District  
18          of Columbia or any territory or possession of the  
19          United States; or

20          “(6) the conduct described in subsection (a)  
21          otherwise occurred in or affected interstate or for-  
22          eign commerce.”.

