

**AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE
TO H.R.**

OFFERED BY M ____.

Strike all that follows after the enacting clause, and insert the following:

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Combating Online
3 Predators Act” or the “COP Act”.

4 SEC. 2. PROHIBITING THREATS TO A MINOR.

(a) MATERIAL INVOLVING THE SEXUAL EXPLOI-
TATION OF MINORS.—Section 2252A of title 18, United
States Code, is amended—

8 (1) in subsection (a)—

9 (A) in paragraph (6), by striking “illegal;
10 or” and inserting “illegal;”;

11 (B) in paragraph (7), by striking the pe-
12 riod at the end and inserting “; or”; and

13 (C) by inserting after paragraph (7) the
14 following:

15 “(8) knowingly distributes, offers, sends, or
16 provides, in or affecting interstate or foreign com-
17 merce, a threat to distribute—

1 “(A) a visual depiction of a minor engag-
2 ing in sexually explicit conduct, or

3 “(B) a visual depiction of a person the de-
4 fendant believes is a minor engaging in sexually
5 explicit conduct,

6 with the intent that the minor, or the person the de-
7 fendant believes is a minor, create or transmit a vis-
8 ual depiction of any minor engaging in sexually ex-
9 plicit conduct,”; and

10 (2) in subsection (b), by striking “or (6)” and
11 inserting “(6), or (8)”.

12 (b) MATERIAL CONSTITUTING OR CONTAINING
13 CHILD PORNOGRAPHY.—Section 2252 of title 18, United
14 States Code, is amended—

15 (1) in subsection (a)—

16 (A) in paragraph (3)(B)(ii), by striking
17 “or” at the end;

18 (B) in paragraph (4)(B)(ii), by inserting
19 “or” after the semicolon; and

20 (C) by inserting after paragraph (4) the
21 following:

22 “(5) knowingly distributes, offers, sends, or
23 provides, in or affecting interstate or foreign com-
24 merce, a threat to distribute—

1 “(A) a visual depiction of a minor engag-
2 ing in sexually explicit conduct, or

3 “(B) a visual depiction of a person the de-
4 fendant believes is a minor engaging in sexually
5 explicit conduct,

6 with the intent that the minor, or the person the de-
7 fendant believes is a minor, create or transmit a vis-
8 ual depiction of sexually explicit conduct,”;

9 (2) in subsection (b)(2), by inserting “or (5)”
10 after “paragraph (4)”; and

11 (3) in subsection (c), in the matter preceding
12 paragraph (1), by inserting “or (5)” after “para-
13 graph (4)”.

