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119TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

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To increase the mandatory minimum sentences applicable to certain crimes
in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. BIGGS of Arizona introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on _____

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 “Strong Sentences for
5 Safer D.C. Streets Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. INCREASE IN MANDATORY MINIMUM SENTENCES**
2 **FOR CERTAIN CRIMES IN DISTRICT OF CO-**
3 **LUMBIA.**

4 (a) FIRST DEGREE MURDER.—

5 (1) MANDATORY LIFE IMPRISONMENT.—Section
6 801 of the Act to establish a code of law for the Dis-
7 trict of Columbia, approved March 3, 1901 (sec. 22–
8 2104, D.C. Official Code) is amended—

9 (A) in subsection (a), by striking “not less
10 than 30 years” and all that follows and insert-
11 ing “life imprisonment without release.”; and

12 (B) by striking subsection (b).

13 (2) CONFORMING AMENDMENT RELATING TO
14 SENTENCING PROCEDURE.—Section 801a of the Act
15 to establish a code of law for the District of Colum-
16 bia, approved March 3, 1901 (sec. 22–2104.01, D.C.
17 Official Code) is repealed.

18 (3) CONFORMING AMENDMENT RELATING TO
19 CONDITIONS FOR IMPOSITION OF SENTENCE IN EX-
20 CESS OF 60 YEARS.—Section 3a(b–2)(1) of the Act
21 to establish a Board of Indeterminate Sentence and
22 Parole for the District of Columbia and to determine
23 its functions, and for other purposes, approved July
24 15, 1932 (sec. 24–403.01(b–2)(1), D.C. Official
25 Code) is amended by striking “in excess of 60 years

1 for first degree murder or first degree murder while
2 armed,”.

3 (b) SECOND DEGREE MURDER.—Section 801(c) of
4 the Act to establish a code of law for the District of Co-
5 lumbia, approved March 3, 1901 (sec. 22–2104(c), D.C.
6 Official Code) is amended by striking “not more than life”
7 and inserting “not less than 10 years or more than life”.

8 (c) RAPE AND FIRST DEGREE SEXUAL ABUSE.—Sec-
9 tion 801a of the Act to establish a code of law for the
10 District of Columbia, approved March 3, 1901 (sec. 22–
11 2104.01, D.C. Official Code) is repealed.

12 (1) MANDATORY MINIMUM FOR RAPE.—Section
13 3(b) of the Act to establish a Board of Indetermi-
14 nate Sentence and Parole for the District of Colum-
15 bia and to determine its functions, and for other
16 purposes, approved July 15, 1932 (sec. 24–403(b),
17 D.C. Official Code) is amended by striking “shall
18 not be less than 7 years if the violation occurs after
19 the person has been convicted in the District of Co-
20 lumbia or elsewhere of a crime of violence, as so de-
21 fined” and inserting “shall be not less than 25 years
22 or, if the violation occurs after the person has been
23 convicted in the District of Columbia or elsewhere of
24 a crime of violence, as so defined, shall be not less
25 than 30 years”.

1 (2) MANDATORY MINIMUM FOR FIRST DEGREE
2 SEXUAL ABUSE.—Section 201(a) of the Anti-Sexual
3 Abuse Act of 1994 (sec. 22–3002(a), D.C. Official
4 Code) is amended by striking “for any term of years
5 or life” and inserting “for a term of not less than
6 25 years or more than life”.

7 (3) REMOVAL OF REQUIREMENT OF AGGRA-
8 VATING CIRCUMSTANCES FOR IMPOSITION OF SEN-
9 TENCE IN EXCESS OF 30 YEARS.—Section 201(b) of
10 the Anti-Sexual Abuse Act of 1994 (sec. 22–
11 3002(b), D.C. Official Code) is amended by striking
12 “The court may impose” and inserting “Except in
13 the case of a sentence imposed under subsection (a)
14 or imposed on a person convicted of rape pursuant
15 to section 3(b) of the Act to establish a Board of In-
16 determinate Sentence and Parole for the District of
17 Columbia and to determine its functions, and for
18 other purposes, approved July 15, 1932, the court
19 may impose”.

20 (d) KIDNAPING.—Section 812 of the Act to establish
21 a code of law for the District of Columbia, approved
22 March 3, 1901 (sec. 22–2001, D.C. Official Code) is
23 amended by striking “not more than 30 years” and insert-
24 ing “not less than 10 years or more than 30 years”.

25 (e) CAR JACKING.—

1 (1) UNARMED.—Section 811a(a)(2) of the Act
2 to establish a code of law for the District of Colum-
3 bia, approved March 3, 1901 (sec. 22–2803(a)(2),
4 D.C. Official Code) is amended by striking “not less
5 than 7 years” and inserting “not less than 10
6 years”.

7 (2) ARMED.—Section 811a(b)(2) of such Act
8 (sec. 22–2803(b)(2), D.C. Official Code) is amended
9 by striking “not less than 15 years” and inserting
10 “not less than 20 years”.

11 (f) FIRST DEGREE BURGLARY.—Section 823(a) of
12 the Act to establish a code of law for the District of Co-
13 lumbia, approved March 3, 1901 (sec. 22–801(a), D.C.
14 Official Code) is amended by striking “not less than 5
15 years” and inserting “not less than 10 years”.

16 **SEC. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

17 This Act and the amendments made by this Act shall
18 apply with respect to individuals charged on or after the
19 date of the enactment of this Act with an offense to which
20 such an amendment applies.