

110TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 3386

To amend title 18, United States Code, to provide penalties for transporting the corpses of homicide victims across State lines with intent to prevent their use as evidence.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

AUGUST 3, 2007

Mr. COHEN (for himself, Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. GONZALEZ, and Mr. ARCURI) 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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Mickey Wright Act”.

5 **SEC. 2. TRANSPORTATION OF HOMICIDE VICTIM’S CORPSE**

6 **ACROSS STATE LINES.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 51 of title 18, United
8 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-
9 lowing:

1 **“§ 1153. Transportation of homicide victim’s corpse**
2 **across State lines**

3 “(a) Whoever knowingly transports or attempts to
4 transport any portion of the corpse of a homicide victim
5 across a State line with intent to prevent its use as evi-
6 dence in a criminal prosecution related to the homicide
7 shall be fined under this title, imprisoned for life or any
8 term of years, or both.

9 “(b) The defendant shall serve a sentence of impris-
10 onment imposed under this section consecutively to any
11 sentence of imprisonment imposed in relation to the un-
12 derlying homicide.

13 “(c) As used in this section the term ‘homicide’
14 means any killing which is criminally punishable in the
15 place it occurs.”.

16 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
17 at the beginning of chapter 51 of title 18, United States
18 Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new
19 item:

“1153. Transportation of homicide victim’s corpse across State lines.”.

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