

119TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

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To amend title 18, United States Code, to update the juvenile transfer for criminal prosecution process, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mrs. BLACKBURN (for herself and Mr. CORNYN) introduced the following bill;
which was read twice and 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 “Violent Juvenile Of-
5 fender Accountability Act of 2025”.

6 **SEC. 2. TRANSFER FOR CRIMINAL PROSECUTION OF CER-**
7 **TAIN JUVENILE OFFENDERS.**

8 Section 5032 of title 18, United States Code, is
9 amended by adding at the end the following:

1 “Notwithstanding any other provision in this section,
2 criminal prosecution of a juvenile in the appropriate dis-
3 trict court of the United States may be begun without a
4 motion to transfer of the Attorney General if the juvenile
5 is 16 years of age or older and is alleged to have com-
6 mitted—

7 “(1) any crime of homicide under chapter 51;

8 “(2) aggravated assault, as described in section
9 111(b);

10 “(3) theft of a motor vehicle under section
11 2119;

12 “(4) robbery under section 1951, to which sec-
13 tion 924(c) applies; or

14 “(5) aggravated sexual abuse under section
15 2241, to which section 924(c) applies.”.