

119TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 2136

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 14, 2025

Mrs. LUNA (for herself and Mr. NEHLS) 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 “Stopping High-level
5 Record Elimination and Destruction Act of 2025” or the
6 “SHRED Act of 2025”.

1 **SEC. 2. INCREASED PENALTIES FOR CONCEALMENT, RE-**
2 **MOVAL, OR MUTILATION OF GOVERNMENT**
3 **RECORDS FOR OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES**
4 **OF THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE AND THE**
5 **INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY.**

6 Section 2071 of title 18, United States Code, is
7 amended by adding at the end the following:

8 “(c) Whoever, being an officer or employee of the De-
9 partment of Justice or of an agency or office of the intel-
10 ligence community (as defined in section 3(4) of the Na-
11 tional Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3003(4), commits
12 an offense under this section, shall be imprisoned not less
13 than 20 years or for life, fined under this title, or both.”.

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