

119TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. 3179

To amend title 18, United States Code, to establish a criminal penalty for obstructing immigration enforcement activities.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

NOVEMBER 18, 2025

Mrs. MOODY introduced the following bill; which was read twice and 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 “Halo Act”.

5 **SEC. 2. CRIMINAL PENALTY FOR OBSTRUCTING IMMIGRA-**
6 **TION ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITIES.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 73 of title 18, United
8 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-
9 lowing:

1 **“§ 1522. Obstructing immigration enforcement activi-**
2 **ties**

3 “(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

4 “(1) FEDERAL IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT
5 OFFICER.—The term ‘Federal immigration enforce-
6 ment officer’ means any officer, agent, or employee
7 of the United States authorized by law or by a gov-
8 ernment agency to engage in or supervise the pre-
9 vention, detection, investigation, or prosecution of
10 any violation of Federal immigration law.

11 “(2) HARASS.—The term ‘harass’ means to
12 knowingly engage in a course of conduct directed at
13 a Federal immigration enforcement officer that in-
14 tentiously causes substantial emotional distress in
15 that Federal immigration enforcement officer and
16 serves no legitimate purpose.

17 “(b) OFFENSE.—It shall be unlawful for a person,
18 after receiving a verbal warning not to approach from an
19 individual whom the person knows or reasonably should
20 know is a Federal immigration enforcement officer, and
21 who is engaged in the lawful performance of a legal duty,
22 to knowingly violate the warning and approach or remain
23 within 25 feet of the Federal immigration enforcement of-
24 ficer with the intent to—

1 “(1) impede or interfere with the ability of the
2 Federal immigration enforcement officer to perform
3 that legal duty;

4 “(2) threaten the Federal immigration enforce-
5 ment officer with physical harm; or

6 “(3) harass the Federal immigration enforce-
7 ment officer.

8 “(c) PENALTY.—Any person who violates subsection
9 (b) shall be fined under this title, imprisoned for not more
10 than 5 years, or both.”.

11 (b) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—
12 The table of sections for chapter 73 of title 18, United
13 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-
14 lowing:

“1522. Obstructing immigration enforcement activities.”.

