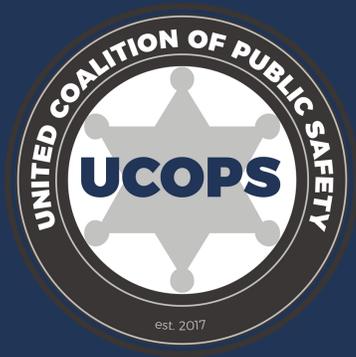




SENATE BILL 1480 BACK THE BLUE ACT

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- The frequent attacks on law enforcement professionals are a threat to the safety of our communities and our officers.
- Suspects are more emboldened than ever to attack officers. It's time to unite in supporting federal policy to deter these attacks.
- Criminals take the calculated risk to injure or kill an officer thinking they can get away with it, avoid arrest, or simply because they hate the police. They must be held accountable.
- Officers are injured and killed for doing their jobs: routine traffic stops, serving arrest warrants, and responding to domestic violence calls and traffic incident. They've been assassinated because of the badge and uniform they wear.
- These attacks are really an attempt to break down the social structure that keeps our communities safe.



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This federal bill ensures that those who risk their lives to protect others, have protection as well.

WHAT DOES THE BILL PROVIDE?

Senate Bill 1480 allows for federal prosecution of criminals who commit crimes against officers when state or local jurisdiction fails to prosecute or if the sentence is not commensurate with the crime upon conviction. This Bill provides a standard of accountability.

WHICH ACTIONS ARE COVERED? Assaults on officers while performing duties, or attacks on former LEO based on the duties performed; or because the person was perceived to be a LEO

WHAT ARE THE PROPOSED PENALTIES?

- Assault (bodily injury): not less than 2 years, not more than 10 years
- Assault (substantial bodily injury): not less than 5 years , not more than 20 years
- Assault (serious bodily injury): not less than 10 years
- Deadly/Dangerous weapon used: not less than 20 years
- Death: minimum of 30 years, up to death penalty.

WHO IS SPECIFICALLY COVERED?

Police officers, United States Judges, Fire fighters, Prosecutors, and Pretrial service officers.

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