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H. R. 3354

To amend title 18, United States Code, to provide an alternate release date for certain nonviolent offenders, to amend title 18, United States Code, with respect to the computation of the good time credit toward service of sentences of imprisonment, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 29, 2015

Ms. JACKSON LEE (for herself and Mr. CONYERS) 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 “Federal Prison Bureau
5 Relief Act of 2015”.

1 **SEC. 2. EARLY RELEASE FOR CERTAIN NONVIOLENT OF-**
2 **FENDERS.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 3624 of title 18, United
4 States Code, is amended—

5 (1) in subsection (a), by inserting “at the early
6 release date provided in subsection (g), if applicable,
7 or otherwise” after “A prisoner shall be released by
8 the Bureau of Prisons”; and

9 (2) by adding at the end the following:

10 “(g) EARLY RELEASE FOR CERTAIN NONVIOLENT
11 OFFENDERS.—Notwithstanding any other provision of
12 law, the Bureau of Prisons, pursuant to a good time pol-
13 icy, shall release from confinement a prisoner who has
14 served one-half or more of his term of imprisonment (in-
15 cluding any consecutive term or terms of imprisonment)
16 if that prisoner—

17 “(1) has attained the age of 45 years;

18 “(2) has never been convicted of a crime of vio-
19 lence; and

20 “(3) has not engaged in any violation, involving
21 violent conduct, of institutional disciplinary regula-
22 tions.”.

23 **SEC. 3. GOOD TIME CREDIT.**

24 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 3624(b)(1) of title 18,
25 United States Code, is amended by striking “, beyond the
26 time served, of up to 54 days at the end of each year of

1 the prisoner's term of imprisonment, beginning at the end
2 of the first year of the term," and inserting "of up to 54
3 days for each year of the prisoner's sentence imposed by
4 the court,".

5 (b) RESTORATION OF CREDIT.—Section 3624(b)(1)
6 is amended by striking the sentence beginning "Credit
7 that has not been earned" and inserting "The Bureau may
8 subsequently restore any or all credit previously denied,
9 based on the prisoner's maintaining good behavior as de-
10 termined by the Bureau.".

11 (c) APPLICABILITY.—The amendments made by this
12 section apply with respect to each prison sentence that has
13 not been completed before the date of the enactment of
14 this Act, except any sentence imposed before November
15 1, 1987.

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