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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

AUGUST 7, 1987

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 Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

2 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

3 This Act may be cited as the "Hate Crime Statistics Act".

4 SEC. 2. ACQUISITION AND PUBLICATION OF DATA.

5 (a) In General.—Under the authority of section 534 of title 28, United States Code, the Attorney General shall acquire, for calendar year 1988 through calendar year 1992, data on the incidence of criminal acts that manifest prejudice
based on race, religion, sexual orientation, or ethnicity. The crimes with respect to which such data shall be acquired are as follows: homicide, assault, robbery, burglary, theft, arson, vandalism, trespass, threat, and such other crimes as the Attorney General considers appropriate.

(b) LIMITATION ON USE AND CONTENT OF DATA.—Data acquired under this Act shall be used only for research or statistical purposes and may not contain any information that may reveal the identity of an individual victim of a crime.

(c) ANNUAL SUMMARY.—The Attorney General shall publish an annual summary of the data acquired under this Act.

SEC. 3. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary to carry out this Act for fiscal year 1988 through fiscal year 1993.