

# CONGRESS 2018

**Committee: House Committee on the  
Judiciary**

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**Bill No: H.R. 5857**

**Title of Bill: A Bill to Ban the Death Penalty**

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1 Preamble: WHEREAS there is no evidence that the death penalty serves as any deterrent  
2 of violent crime, as cited by 88% of criminologists (as of 2009) and no increases of violent  
3 crime in countries such as Canada when they banned capital punishment. Congress moves  
4 to ban the death penalty on a state and national level.

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6 Section 1: This bill will be cited as the “Ban on the Death Penalty”

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8 Section 2: The U.S. government, both national and state, shall not be allowed to sentence  
9 another human to death.

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11 Section 3: The new maximum sentence courts can give a prisoner is life in a maximum  
12 security prison without parole.

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14 Section 4: This bill will be enacted ninety-one (91) days after passage.

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16 Section 5: This law is retroactive, all inmates currently on death row will be sentenced to life  
17 in prison without parole instead.

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