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H. R. 289

To hold individuals convicted of Federal offenses during the course of protests financially liable for the cost of Federal policing, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. BANKS (for himself, Mr. ARRINGTON, Mr. HAGEDORN, Mr. MURPHY of North Carolina, Mr. BUDD, and Mr. BISHOP of North Carolina) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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 “Support Peaceful Pro-
5 test Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. ORDER OF RESTITUTION.**

2 In the case of an individual convicted of a Federal
3 offense related to the individual's conduct at and during
4 the course of a protest with respect to which a Federal
5 law enforcement officer was engaged in policing activity,
6 the court shall, in addition to the penalty for such convic-
7 tion, order the individual to pay an order of restitution
8 to the appropriate Federal law enforcement agency in an
9 amount that is equal to the cost of such policing activity,
10 as determined by the court.

11 **SEC. 3. INELIGIBILITY FOR ENHANCED FEDERAL UNEM-**
12 **PLOYMENT BENEFITS.**

13 An individual convicted of a Federal offense related
14 to the individual's conduct at and during the course of
15 a protest, is ineligible for any Federal Pandemic Unem-
16 ployment Compensation under section 2104 of the
17 CARES Act (15 U.S.C. 9023) or any other Federal sup-
18 plemental unemployment compensation during the
19 COVID-19 public health emergency (as such term is de-
20 fined in section 2102 of the CARES Act (15 U.S.C.
21 9021).

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