

114TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 2955

To amend the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994 to expand the cause of action relating to the pattern or practice of conduct by a governmental authority that deprives a person of rights protected by the Constitution to such conduct relating to adults as well as juveniles.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 7, 2015

Mr. DEUTCH 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 “Right to Counsel and
5 Taxpayer Protection Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. PATTERN OR PRACTICE LITIGATION.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 210401(a) of the Violent
3 Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994 (42
4 U.S.C. 14141(a)) is amended—

5 (1) after “responsibility for the administration
6 of”, by striking “juvenile justice” and inserting
7 “criminal justice, juvenile justice,”; and

8 (2) after “or the incarceration of”, by striking
9 “juveniles” and inserting “persons (including juve-
10 niles)”.

11 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—Section 210401(b) of
12 the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of
13 1994 (42 U.S.C. 14141(b)) is amended by striking “para-
14 graph (1)” and inserting “subsection (a)”.

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