

ASSASSINATION BILLS INTRODUCED IN HOUSE

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4 (AP) — A bipartisan group of 11 House members introduced bills Monday to make it a Federal crime to attack or assassinate a President.

The sponsors included Representative Gerald R. Ford Jr., Republican of Michigan, who was a member of the commission that investigated the assassination of President Kennedy.

Representative Richard S. Schweiker, Republican of Pennsylvania, who is leader of the group that introduced the bills, said they would also cover the Vice President, or any other official next in line of succession to the Presidency, as well as a President-elect and a Vice President-elect.

Federal agencies now take part only unofficially in any such investigation, and only at the invitation of local authorities.

Mr. Schweiker, who introduced similar legislation in the 88th Congress, said the Warren Commission had pointed out that such legislation would insure Federal arrest of any suspect, and protect him from vigilante justice and other threats.