

108TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# S. 1120

To establish an Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance, and for other purposes.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 22, 2003

Mr. BAUCUS (for himself, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. DAYTON, and Mrs. MURRAY) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

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## 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 “Trade Adjustment As-  
5 sistance for Firms Reorganization Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. OFFICE OF TRADE ADJUSTMENT ASSISTANCE.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 3 of title II of the Trade  
8 Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2341 et seq.) is amended by in-  
9 serting after section 255 the following new section:

1 **“SEC. 255A. OFFICE OF TRADE ADJUSTMENT ASSISTANCE.**

2       “(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than 90 days after  
3 the date of enactment of the Trade Adjustment Assistance  
4 for Firms Reorganization Act, there shall be established  
5 in the International Trade Administration of the Depart-  
6 ment of Commerce an Office of Trade Adjustment Assist-  
7 ance.

8       “(b) PERSONNEL.—The Office shall be headed by a  
9 Director, and shall have such staff as may be necessary  
10 to carry out the responsibilities of the Secretary of Com-  
11 merce described in this chapter.

12       “(c) FUNCTIONS.—The Office shall assist the Sec-  
13 retary of Commerce in carrying out the Secretary’s re-  
14 sponsibilities under this chapter.”.

15       (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—The table of con-  
16 tents for the Trade Act of 1974 is amended by inserting  
17 after the item relating to section 255, the following new  
18 item:

“Sec. 255A. Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance.”.

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