

(2) the democratic election and peaceful transition of power in Mongolia is an important demonstration of the continuing commitment in that country to democratic reform and represents a significant achievement for that young democracy;

(3) the United States Government encourages further economic cooperation with the Government of Mongolia, including, as appropriate, enhanced trade and investment to promote prosperity for both of our economies;

(4) the United States Government should continue to work with the International Monetary Fund, the World Bank, the Asian Development Bank, and the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development to assist the Government of Mongolia in improving its economic system and accelerating development;

(5) the United States Government should continue to provide Mongolia assistance under the Millennium Challenge Compact and encourage further effective and accountable governance; and

(6) the United States Government should expand upon existing academic, cultural, and other people-to-people exchanges with Mongolia.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 1338. Mr. COBURN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1023, to establish a non-profit corporation to communicate United States entry policies and otherwise promote leisure, business, and scholarly travel to the United States; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1339. Mr. WEBB submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1023, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1340. Mrs. SHAHEEN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 1023, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1341. Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself and Mr. BEGICH) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 1023, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1342. Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself and Mr. BEGICH) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 1023, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1343. Mr. THUNE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1023, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1344. Mr. CARDIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1023, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1345. Mr. GRASSLEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1023, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1346. Mr. GRASSLEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1023, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

SA 1338. Mr. COBURN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1023, to establish a non-profit corporation to communicate United States entry policies and otherwise promote leisure, business, and scholarly travel to the United States; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, add the following:

SEC. 7. LIMITATIONS ON EFFECT.

If imposing a government fee on an individual traveling to the United States, as required by this Act or any amendment made by this Act, would violate the established national tourism policy set out in section 1(b)(8) of the International Travel Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2121(b)(8)) which states that it is a national tourism policy to “encourage the free and welcome entry of individuals traveling to the United States, in order to enhance international understanding and goodwill, consistent with immigration laws, the laws protecting the public health, and laws governing the importation of goods into the United States” by increasing the cost, in any way, for such individual, then this Act and the amendments made by this Act shall have no effect.

SA 1339. Mr. WEBB submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1023, to establish a non-profit corporation to communicate United States entry policies and otherwise promote leisure, business, and scholarly travel to the United States; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 3, line 20, insert “, including expertise and experience with national historic and geographic landmarks” after “sector”.

SA 1340. Mrs. SHAHEEN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 1023, to establish a non-profit corporation to communicate United States entry policies and otherwise promote leisure, business, and scholarly travel to the United States; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 23, strike line 1 and all that follows through page 25, line 10, and insert the following:

SEC. 7. OFFICE OF TRAVEL PROMOTION.

(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Title II of the International Travel Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2121 et seq.) is amended by inserting after section 201 the following:

“SEC. 202. OFFICE OF TRAVEL PROMOTION.

“(a) OFFICE ESTABLISHED.—There is established within the Department of Commerce an office to be known as the Office of Travel Promotion (referred to in this section as the ‘Office’).

“(b) UNDER SECRETARY FOR TRAVEL PROMOTION.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—The head of the Office shall be the Under Secretary of Commerce for Travel Promotion, who shall be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate.

“(2) QUALIFICATIONS.—The Under Secretary shall be a citizen of the United States and have experience in a field directly related to the promotion of travel in the United States.

“(3) LIMITATION ON INVESTMENTS.—The Under Secretary may not own stock in, or have a direct or indirect beneficial interest in, a corporation or other enterprise that—

“(A) is engaged in the travel, transportation, or hospitality business; or

“(B) owns or operates a theme park or other entertainment facility.

“(c) FUNCTION.—The Under Secretary shall—

“(1) serve as liaison to the Corporation for Travel Promotion, established under section 2 of the Travel Promotion Act of 2009;

“(2) support and encourage the development of programs to increase the number of

international visitors to the United States for business, leisure, educational, medical, exchange, and other purposes;

“(3) work with the Corporation, the Secretary of State, and the Secretary of Homeland Security—

“(A) to disseminate information more effectively to potential international visitors about documentation and procedures required for admission to the United States as a visitor; and

“(B) to ensure that arriving international visitors are processed efficiently and in a welcoming and respectful manner;

“(4) support State, regional, and private sector initiatives to promote travel to and within the United States;

“(5) supervise the operations of the Office of Travel and Tourism Industries; and

“(6) enhance the entry and departure experience for international visitors.

“(d) ADVISORY ROLE.—The Under Secretary shall perform a purely advisory role relating to any functions described in paragraphs (3) and (6) of subsection (c).

“(e) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this section may be construed to override the preeminent roles of the Secretary of Homeland Security in setting policies relating to—

“(1) the Nation’s ports of entry; and

“(2) the processes through which individuals are admitted into the United States.

“(f) REPORTS TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 1 year after the date of the enactment of the Travel Promotion Act of 2009, and periodically thereafter as appropriate, the Under Secretary shall submit to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate and the Committee on Energy and Commerce of the House of Representatives a report describing the Under Secretary’s work with the Corporation, the Secretary of State, and the Secretary of Homeland Security to carry out this section.”.

(b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 5314 of title 5, United States Code, is amended by inserting “Under Secretary of Commerce for Travel Promotion,” after “Under Secretary of Commerce for Export Administration.”.

SA 1341. Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself and Mr. BEGICH) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 1023, to establish a non-profit corporation to communicate United States entry policies and otherwise promote leisure, business, and scholarly travel to the United States; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 9, lines 23 and 24, strike “State, and Federal agencies” and insert “State and Federal agencies, Indian tribes (as defined in section 4 of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450b))”.

SA 1342. Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself and Mr. BEGICH) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 1023, to establish a non-profit corporation to communicate United States entry policies and otherwise promote leisure, business, and scholarly travel to the United States; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 9, line 12, insert “, Indian tribes (as defined in section 4 of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450b)),” after “States”.

SA 1343. Mr. THUNE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by