106TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION H.R. 2584

To amend the Jerusalem Embassy Act of 1995.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 21, 1999

Mr. SAXTON introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on International Relations

A BILL

To amend the Jerusalem Embassy Act of 1995.

- 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 "Jerusalem Embassy5 Act of 1999".

6 SEC. 2. TIMETABLE FOR CONSTRUCTION IN THE CAPITAL

7 CITY OF JERUSALEM OF UNITED STATES EM-8 BASSY IN ISRAEL.

9 (a) CONSTRUCTION COMMENCEMENT TIMETABLE.—
10 Section 3 of the Jerusalem Embassy Act of 1995 (Public
11 Law 104–45) is amended—

12 (1) in subsection (a)(3) to read as follows:

1 "(3) construction of a facility in the capital city 2 of Jerusalem to be designated as the United States 3 Embassy in Israel should begin not later than De-4 cember 31, 1999."; and (2) in subsection (b) to read as follows: 5 6 "(b) Construction Commencement Determina-7 TION.—Not more than 50 percent of the funds appro-8 priated to the Department of State for fiscal year 2000 9 for 'Acquisition and Maintenance of Buildings Abroad' 10 may be obligated until the Secretary of State determines and reports to Congress that the construction of a facility 11 in the capital city of Jerusalem to be designated as the 12 13 United States Embassy in Israel has commenced.". 14 SEC. 3. FISCAL YEARS 2000 AND 2001 FUNDING FOR CON-15 STRUCTION. 16 Section 4 of the Jerusalem Embassy Act of 1995 (Public Law 104–45) is amended to read as follows: 17 18 "SEC. 4. FISCAL YEARS 2000 AND 2001 FUNDING LIMITA-19 TIONS. 20 "(a) FISCAL YEAR 2000.—Of the funds authorized 21 to be appropriated for 'Acquisition and Maintenance of 22 Buildings Abroad' for the Department of State for fiscal 23 year 2000, not less than \$25,000,000 shall be available 24 until expended only for construction and other costs associated with the establishment of the United States Em bassy in Israel in the capital of Jerusalem.

3 "(b) FISCAL YEAR 2001.—Of the funds authorized 4 to be appropriated for 'Acquisition and Maintenance of 5 Buildings Abroad' for the Department of State for fiscal 6 year 2001, not less than \$25,000,000 shall be available 7 until expended only for construction and other costs asso-8 ciated with the establishment of the United States Em-9 bassy in Israel in the capital of Jerusalem.".

10 SEC. 3. REPEAL OF PRESIDENTIAL WAIVER AUTHORITY.

11 The Jerusalem Embassy Act of 1995 (Public Law

12 105–45) is amended by striking section 7.

13 SEC. 4. EFFECTIVE DATE.

14 This Act shall take effect October 1, 1999.