107TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. 1794

To amend title 49, United States Code, to prohibit the unauthorized
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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

DECEMBER 10, 2001

Mr. CLELAND introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred
to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

A BILL

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thorized circumvention of airport security systems and
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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 "Airport Checkpoint

5 Enhancement Act".

6 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION ON UNAUTHORIZED CIRCUMVENTION**

7   **OF AIRPORT SECURITY SYSTEMS AND PROCE-**

8   **DURES.**

9   (a) PROHIBITION.—Section 46503 of title 49, United

10 States Code, as added by section 114 of the Aviation and

1 Transportation Security Act (Public Law 107–71), is

2 amended—

3   (1) by inserting "(a) INTERFERENCE WITH SE-

4   CURITY SCREENING PERSONNEL.—" before "An in-

5   dividual"; and

6   (2) by adding at the end the following new sub-

7   section:

8 "(b) UNAUTHORIZED CIRCUMVENTION OF SECURITY

9 SYSTEMS AND PROCEDURES.—An individual in an area

10 within a commercial service airport in the United States

11 who intentionally circumvents, in an unauthorized man-

12 ner, a security system or procedure in the airport shall

13 be fined under title 18, imprisoned for not more than 10

14 years, or both.".

15   (b) CONFORMING AND CLERICAL AMENDMENTS.—

16 (1) The section heading of that section is amended to read

17 as follows:

18 **"§ 46503. Interference with security screening per-**

19 **sonnel; unauthorized circumvention of**

20 **security systems or procedures".**

21   (2) The item relating to that section in the table of

22 sections at the beginning of chapter 465 of that title is

23 amended to read as follows:

"46503. Interference with security screening personnel; unauthorized circumven-
tion of security systems or procedures.".

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