108TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

S. 2765

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

July 22, 2004

Ms. Snowe (for herself, Mr. Voinovich, and Mrs. Dole) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

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. AMENDMENTS RELATING TO INTERNATIONAL
- 4 FINANCIAL POLICY.
- 5 (a) Bilateral Negotiations.—Section 3004(b) of
- 6 the Exchange Rates and International Economic Policy
- 7 Coordination Act of 1988 (22 U.S.C. 5304(b)) is amended

in the second sentence by striking "(1) have material global account surpluses; and (2)". 3 (b) Report.—Section 3005(b) of the Exchange Rates and International Economic Policy Coordination Act of 1988 (22 U.S.C. 5305(b)) is amended— 5 (1) by striking "and" at the end of paragraph 6 (7);7 8 (2) by striking the period at the end of paragraph (8) and inserting "; and"; and 9 (3) by adding at the end the following: 10 11 "(9) a detailed explanation of the test the Sec-12 retary uses to determine if a country is manipulating 13 the rate of exchange between that country's currency 14 and the dollar for purposes of preventing effective 15 balance of payments adjustments or gaining an un-

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fair advantage in international trade.".

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