H. R. 3867

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

February 1, 2012

Mr. Graves of Georgia (for himself, Mr. Paul, Mr. Westmoreland, Mr. Mulvaney, Mr. Garrett, Mr. Poe of Texas, Mr. Marchant, Mr. Roe of Tennessee, Mr. Wilson of South Carolina, Mr. Stutzman, Mr. Quayle, Mr. Schweikert, Mr. Walsh of Illinois, Mr. Culberson, Mr. Posey, Mr. Woodall, Mr. Price of Georgia, Mr. King of Iowa, Mr. Ribble, and Mr. Gingrey of Georgia) introduced the following bill, which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

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 "Travel Transparency
- 5 Act".

SEC. 2. UNFAIR AND DECEPTIVE PRACTICES AND UNFAIR

- 2 METHODS OF COMPETITION.
- 3 (a) Advertising Practices.—Section 41712 of
- 4 title 49. United States Code, is amended by adding at the
- 5 end the following:
- 6 "(d) Advertising Practices.—It shall be an unfair
- 7 or deceptive practice under subsection (a) for an air car-
- 8 rier, including an indirect air carrier, a foreign carrier,
- 9 an agent for either, or a ticket agent to advertise or solicit
- 10 passenger air transportation and fail to disclose in the cost
- 11 of such transportation the sum of the base airfare and
- 12 the tax imposed by section 4261(a) of the Internal Rev-
- 13 enue Code. Any other government imposed taxes and fees
- 14 paid on a per passenger basis shall be disclosed clearly
- 15 and separately from the base airfare in any such advertise-
- 16 ment or solicitation.".
- 17 (b) Conforming Regulations.—Upon the date of
- 18 enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall take such meas-
- 19 ures as are necessary to change section 399.84 of title 14,
- 20 Code of Federal Regulations, and any other related regu-
- 21 lation, to ensure that such regulations comply with the
- 22 section 41712(d) of title 49, United States Code.

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