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To amend the Export Enhancement Act of 1988 to make improvements to the trade promotion policies and programs of the United States Government.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. GRAVES of Missouri (for himself, Mr. CHABOT, Mr. LUETKEMEYER, Mr. TIPTON, Mr. MULVANEY, Mrs. HARTZLER, Mr. HANNA, Mr. COLLINS of New York, and Ms. CHU) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign 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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Export Coordination
5 Act of 2013”.

1 **SEC. 2. DUTIES.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 2312(b) of the Export
3 Enhancement Act of 1988 (15 U.S.C. 4727(b)) is amend-
4 ed—

5 (1) in paragraph (4), by adding at the end be-
6 fore the semicolon the following: “, including identi-
7 fying opportunities to consolidate or co-locate offices
8 of agencies involved in such activities”;

9 (2) in paragraph (5)—

10 (A) by inserting “, including the use and
11 coordination of electronic databases,” after “the
12 appropriate levels and allocation of resources”;
13 and

14 (B) by striking “and” at the end;

15 (3) by redesignating paragraph (6) as para-
16 graph (7); and

17 (4) by inserting after paragraph (5) the fol-
18 lowing:

19 “(6) to the maximum extent practicable, pro-
20 vide a detailed listing of current and future Federal
21 and State-led trade missions, trade fairs, and related
22 activities to ensure better delivery of services to
23 United States businesses; and”.

24 (b) AVAILABILITY OF INFORMATION.—The Secretary
25 of Commerce shall make available the information on Fed-
26 eral and State-led trade missions, trade fairs, and related

1 activities described in paragraph (6) of section 2312(b)
2 of the Export Enhancement Act of 1988, as added by sub-
3 section (a)(4) of this section, on the Web site Export.gov
4 or a successor Web site.

5 **SEC. 3. STRATEGIC PLAN.**

6 Section 2312(c) of the Export Enhancement Act of
7 1988 (15 U.S.C. 4727(c)) is amended—

8 (1) by redesignating paragraphs (3) through
9 (6) as paragraphs (4) through (7), respectively;
10 (2) by inserting after paragraph (2) the fol-
11 lowing:

12 “(3) with respect to export promotion and ex-
13 port financing activities of each agency that is a
14 member of the TPCC—

15 “(A) clearly identify and explain the role of
16 each agency; and

17 “(B) describe the goals and objectives of
18 each agency and explain the rationale for meas-
19 uring and reporting the goals and objectives;”;
20 (3) in paragraph (5) (as redesignated)—

21 (A) by inserting “and Congress” after “the
22 President”; and

23 (B) by striking “paragraph (3)” and in-
24 serting “paragraph (4);

1 (4) in paragraph (6) (as redesignated), by strik-
2 ing “and” at the end;

3 (5) by inserting after paragraph (6) (as redesi-
4 gnated) the following:

5 “(7) include the recommendations of the Com-
6 troller General of the United States as the rec-
7 ommendations relate to coordination of the TPCC
8 and agencies that are members of the TPCC;”; and

9 (6) in paragraph (7) (as redesignated), by strik-
10 ing “United States National Tourism Organization”
11 and inserting “United States Travel Association”.

12 **SEC. 4. MEMBERSHIP AND STAFF.**

13 (a) MEMBERSHIP.—Section 2312(d) of the Export
14 Enhancement Act of 1988 (15 U.S.C. 4727(d)) is amend-
15 ed—

16 (1) in paragraph (1)—

17 (A) by striking “and” at the end of sub-
18 paragraph (L);

19 (B) by redesignating subparagraph (M) as
20 subparagraph (N); and

21 (C) by inserting after subparagraph (L)
22 the following:

23 “(M) the Millennium Challenge Corpora-
24 tion;”;

1 (2) by redesignating paragraph (2) as para-
2 graph (3); and

3 (3) by inserting after paragraph (1) the fol-
4 lowing:

5 “(2) STATE TRADE PROMOTION AGENCIES.—
6 The TPCC shall also include one or more members
7 appointed by the President who are representatives
8 from State trade promotion agencies.”.

9 (b) STAFF.—Section 2312 of the Export Enhance-
10 ment Act of 1988 (15 U.S.C. 4727) is amended—

11 (1) by redesignating subsection (f) as sub-
12 section (g); and

13 (2) by inserting after subsection (e) the fol-
14 lowing:

15 “(f) STAFF.—Upon request of the chairperson of the
16 TPCC, the head of any Federal department or agency that
17 is a member of the TPCC may detail, on a reimbursable
18 basis, any of the personnel of that department or agency
19 to the TPCC to assist it in carrying out its duties under
20 this section.”.

21 **SEC. 5. MEMBER QUALIFICATIONS.**

22 Section 2312(e) of the Export Enhancement Act of
23 1988 (15 U.S.C. 4727(e)) is amended in the first sentence
24 by inserting “(other than members described in subsection
25 (d)(2))” after “Members of the TPCC”.

1 **SEC. 6. REPORT TO CONGRESS.**

2 Subsection (g) of section 2312 of the Export En-
3 hancement Act of 1988 (15 U.S.C. 4727), as redesignated
4 by section 4(b)(1) of this Act, is amended to read as fol-
5 lows:

6 “(g) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—

7 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The chairperson of the
8 TPCC shall prepare and submit to the appropriate
9 congressional committees, not later than March 30
10 of each year, a report that—

11 “(A) describes the strategic plan developed
12 by the TPCC pursuant to subsection (c), the
13 implementation of such plan, and any revisions
14 thereto; and

15 “(B) describes the implementation of sec-
16 tions 303 and 304 of the FREEDOM Support
17 Act (22 U.S.C. 5823 and 5824) concerning
18 funding for export promotion activities and the
19 interagency working groups on energy of the
20 TPCC.

21 “(2) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-
22 TEES DEFINED.—In this subsection, the term ‘ap-
23 propriate congressional committees’ means—

24 “(A) the Committee on Appropriations, the
25 Committee on Energy and Commerce, the Com-
26 mittee on Financial Services, the Committee on

1 Foreign Affairs, the Committee on Small Busi-
2 ness, and the Committee on Ways and Means
3 of the House of Representatives; and

4 “(B) the Committee on Appropriations, the
5 Committee on Commerce, Science, and Trans-
6 portation, the Committee on Finance, the Com-
7 mittee on Foreign Relations, and the Com-
8 mittee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship
9 of the Senate.”.

10 **SEC. 7. ADDITIONAL REPORT TO CONGRESS.**

11 Section 2312 of the Export Enhancement Act of
12 1988 (15 U.S.C. 4727) is amended by adding at the end
13 the following:

14 “(h) ADDITIONAL REPORT TO CONGRESS.—

15 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Inspector General of
16 the Department of Commerce shall prepare and sub-
17 mit to the appropriate congressional committees, not
18 later than March 30 of each year, a report on the
19 extent to which the TPCC is successfully carrying
20 out its duties as described in subsection (b) and the
21 extent to which the strategic plan as described in
22 subsection (c) is successfully being implemented.

23 “(2) CONSULTATION.—In preparing the report
24 required under paragraph (1), the Inspector General
25 of the Department of Commerce shall, to the max-

1 imum extent practicable, consult with the inspector
2 general of each other Federal department or agency
3 that is a member of the TPCC.

4 “(3) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-
5 TEES DEFINED.—In this subsection, the term ‘ap-
6 propriate congressional committees’ has the meaning
7 given such term in subsection (g)(2).”.

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