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H. R. 871

To allow travel between the United States and Cuba.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. RANGEL 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 Freedom to
5 Cuba Act of 2013”.

6 **SEC. 2. TRAVEL TO CUBA.**

7 (a) FREEDOM OF TRAVEL FOR UNITED STATES CITI-
8 ZENS AND LEGAL RESIDENTS.—Subject to section 3, the
9 President shall not regulate or prohibit, directly or indi-
10 rectly, travel to or from Cuba by United States citizens
11 or legal residents, or any of the transactions incident to
12 such travel as specified in subsection (b). The President

1 shall rescind all regulations in effect on the date of the
2 enactment of this Act that so regulate or prohibit such
3 travel or transactions.

4 (b) TRANSACTIONS INCIDENT TO TRAVEL.—

5 (1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-
6 graph (2), the transactions referred to in subsection

7 (a) are—

8 (A) any transactions ordinarily incident to
9 travel to or from Cuba, including the importa-
10 tion into Cuba or the United States of accom-
11 panied baggage for personal use only;

12 (B) any transactions ordinarily incident to
13 travel or maintenance within Cuba, including
14 the payment of living expenses and the acquisi-
15 tion of goods or services for personal use;

16 (C) any transactions ordinarily incident to
17 the arrangement, promotion, or facilitation of
18 travel to, from, or within Cuba;

19 (D) any transactions incident to non-
20 scheduled air, sea, or land voyages, except that
21 this paragraph does not authorize the carriage
22 of articles into Cuba or the United States ex-
23 cept accompanied baggage; and

24 (E) normal banking transactions incident
25 to the activities described in the preceding pro-

visions of this subsection, including the issuance, clearing, processing, or payment of checks, drafts, travelers checks, credit or debit card instruments, or similar instruments.

(2) PROHIBITION.—Nothing in this section shall be construed as authorizing the importation into the United States of any goods for personal consumption acquired in Cuba.

SEC. 3. EXCEPTION.

The restrictions on authority described in section 2 shall not apply in a case in which—

(1) the United States is at war with Cuba;

(2) armed hostilities between the two countries are in progress; or

(3) there is imminent danger to the public health or the physical safety of United States travelers.

SEC. 4. APPLICABILITY.

This Act applies to actions taken by the President before the date of the enactment of this Act which are in effect on such date, and to actions taken on or after such date.

SEC. 5. INAPPLICABILITY OF OTHER PROVISIONS.

This Act applies notwithstanding section 102(h) of the Cuban Liberty and Democratic Solidarity

1 (LIBERTAD) Act of 1996 (22 U.S.C. 6032(h)) and sec-
2 tion 910(b) of the Trade Sanctions Reform and Export
3 Enhancement Act of 2000 (22 U.S.C. 7209(b)).

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