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S. 121

To establish the United States Advisory Council on Human Trafficking to review Federal Government policy on human trafficking.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JANUARY 23 (legislative day, JANUARY 3), 2013

Mrs. BOXER introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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. UNITED STATES ADVISORY COUNCIL ON**
4 **HUMAN TRAFFICKING.**

5 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established the
6 United States Advisory Council on Human Trafficking
7 (referred to in this section as the “Council”), which shall
8 provide advice and recommendations to the Senior Policy
9 Operating Group (referred to in this section as the

1 “Group”) and the President’s Task Force to Monitor and
2 Combat Trafficking in Persons.

3 (b) MEMBERSHIP.—

4 (1) COMPOSITION.—The Council shall be com-
5 posed of not fewer than 8 individuals who are—

6 (A) survivors of human trafficking; or

7 (B) nongovernmental experts or profes-
8 sionals in the human trafficking field.

9 (2) EQUAL REPRESENTATION.—To the extent
10 practicable, the Council be comprised of an equal
11 number of survivors and nongovernmental experts.

12 (3) APPOINTMENT.—Not later than 180 days
13 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the
14 President shall appoint the members of the Council.

15 (4) TERM; REAPPOINTMENT.—Council members
16 shall serve for terms of 2 years and may be re-
17 appointed by the President to serve additional 2-year
18 terms.

19 (c) FUNCTIONS.—The Council shall—

20 (1) be a nongovernmental advisory body to the
21 Group;

22 (2) meet, at its own discretion, not less fre-
23 quently than annually or at the request of the Group
24 to review Federal Government policy and programs
25 intended to combat human trafficking, including

1 programs related to the provision of services for vic-
2 tims;

3 (3) formulate assessments and recommenda-
4 tions to ensure that United States policy and pro-
5 gramming efforts conform, to the extent practicable,
6 to the best practices in the field of human traf-
7 ficking prevention; and

8 (4) meet with the Group not less frequently
9 than annually to formally present the Council's find-
10 ings and recommendations.

11 (d) REPORTS.—Every year beginning after the date
12 of the enactment of this Act, the Council shall submit a
13 report to the chair of President's Interagency Task Force
14 to Monitor and Combat Trafficking that contains the find-
15 ings derived from the reviews conducted pursuant to sub-
16 section (c)(2).

17 (e) EMPLOYEE STATUS.—Members of the Council—

18 (1) shall not be considered employees of the
19 United States Government for any purpose; and

20 (2) shall not receive compensation other than
21 reimbursement of travel expenses and per diem al-
22 lowance in accordance with section 5703 of title 5,
23 United States Code.

1 (f) NONAPPLICABILITY OF FACA.—The Council
2 shall not be subject to the requirements under the Federal
3 Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App.).

4 **SEC. 2. SUNSET.**

5 This section shall cease to be effective on September
6 30, 2020.

