

117TH CONGRESS
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To extend the authority of, and provide hiring authority for, the Global Engagement Center.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JUNE 10, 2021

Mr. PORTMAN (for himself and Mr. MURPHY) introduced the following bill;
which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations

A BILL

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for, the Global Engagement Center.

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. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY OF AND HIRING AU-**
4 **THORITY FOR THE GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT**
5 **CENTER.**

6 (a) EXTENSION.—Section 1287(j) of the National
7 Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017 (22
8 U.S.C. 2656 note) is amended by striking “the date that
9 is 8 years after the date of the enactment of this Act”
10 and inserting “December 31, 2027”.

1 (b) HIRING AUTHORITY FOR GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT
2 CENTER.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law,
3 the Secretary of State, during the five-year period begin-
4 ning on the date of the enactment of this Act and solely
5 to carry out functions of the Global Engagement Center
6 established by such section, may—

7 (1) appoint employees without regard to the
8 provisions of title 5, United States Code, regarding
9 appointments in the competitive service; and

10 (2) fix the basic compensation of such employ-
11 ees without regard to chapter 51 and subchapter III
12 of chapter 53 of such title regarding classification
13 and General Schedule pay rates.

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