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To direct the Secretary of State to seek to enter into negotiations with the Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office to rename its office the “Taiwan Representative Office”, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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

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 “Taiwan Representative
5 Office Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. DESIGNATION OF AND REFERENCES TO TAIWAN**
2 **REPRESENTATIVE OFFICE.**

3 (a) STATEMENT OF POLICY.—It shall be the policy
4 of the United States, consistent with the Taiwan Relations
5 Act (Public Law 96–8; 22 U.S.C. 3301 et seq.) and the
6 Six Assurances, originally conveyed to Taiwan by Presi-
7 dent Ronald Reagan in 1982—

8 (1) to provide the people of Taiwan with de
9 facto diplomatic treatment equivalent to foreign
10 countries, nations, states, governments, or similar
11 entities; and

12 (2) consistent with the policy described in para-
13 graph (1), to rename the “Taipei Economic and Cul-
14 tural Representative Office” in the United States as
15 the “Taiwan Representative Office”.

16 (b) RENAMING.—The Secretary of State shall seek
17 to enter into negotiations with the Taipei Economic and
18 Cultural Representative Office to rename its office in the
19 District of Colombia as the “Taiwan Representative Of-
20 fice”.

21 (c) REFERENCES.—If the Taipei Economic and Cul-
22 tural Representative Office is renamed as the Taiwan Rep-
23 resentative Office, any reference in a law, map, regulation,
24 document, paper, or other record of the United States
25 Government to the Taipei Economic and Cultural Rep-
26 resentative Office shall be deemed to be a reference to the

1 Taiwan Representative Office, including for all official
2 purposes of the Government of the United States, all
3 courts of the United States, and any proceedings thereof.

4 (d) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this sec-
5 tion may be construed as—

6 (1) entailing the restoration of diplomatic rela-
7 tions with the Republic of China (Taiwan); or

8 (2) altering the position of the United States
9 with respect to the international status of Taiwan.

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