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To require the Federal Trade Commission to conduct a study on scams that target travelers during the COVID-19 pandemic, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself and Mr. DAINES) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on

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 "Protecting Consumers"

5 from Travel Fraud Act".

6 SEC. 2. FTC STUDY ON TRAVEL FRAUD.

7 (a) STUDY.—The Federal Trade Commission (in this
8 section referred to as the "Commission") shall conduct a
9 study, using the Commission's authority under section 6

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of the Federal Trade Commission Act (15 U.S.C. 46), re garding scams that target travelers during the COVID 19 pandemic.

4 (b) REPORT.—Not later than 45 days after the date 5 of enactment of this Act, the Commission shall submit to Congress a report containing the results of the study con-6 7 ducted under subsection (a), together with recommenda-8 tions for such legislation and administrative action to pre-9 vent and deter scams that target consumers, including on-10 line travel booking scams, as the Commission determines 11 appropriate.

12 (c) CONSUMER PROTECTION INFORMATION.—Not 13 later than 30 days after the date of the submission of the report under subsection (b), the Commission shall update 14 15 the website of the Commission to include information for consumers on avoiding scams that target travelers, includ-16 17 ing scams that target travelers during the COVID-pan-18 demic identified in the study conducted under subsection 19 (a).