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AMENDMENT NO. _____ Calendar No. _____

Purpose: To establish the Department of Transportation Advisory Committee on Human Trafficking.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES—115th Cong., 1st Sess.

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To designate a human trafficking prevention coordinator and to expand the scope of activities authorized under the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration’s outreach and education program to include human trafficking prevention activities, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on _____ and ordered to be printed

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AMENDMENT intended to be proposed by Mr. BOOKER (for himself and Mrs. FISCHER)

Viz:

1 At the end, add the following:

2 **SEC. 5. ESTABLISHMENT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANS-**
3 **PORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON**
4 **HUMAN TRAFFICKING.**

5 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary shall establish
6 an advisory committee on human trafficking.

7 (b) MEMBERSHIP.—

8 (1) COMPOSITION.—The Committee shall be
9 composed of not more than 15 external stakeholder
10 members whose diverse experience and background

1 enable them to provide balanced points of view with
2 regard to carrying out the duties of the Committee.

3 (2) SELECTION.—The Secretary shall appoint
4 the external stakeholder members to the Committee,
5 including representatives from—

6 (A) trafficking advocacy organizations;

7 (B) law enforcement; and

8 (C) trucking, bus, rail, aviation, maritime,
9 and port sectors, including industry and labor.

10 (3) PERIODS OF APPOINTMENT.—Members
11 shall be appointed for the life of the Committee.

12 (4) VACANCIES.—A vacancy in the Committee
13 shall be filled in the manner in which the original
14 appointment was made and shall not affect the pow-
15 ers or duties of the Committee.

16 (5) COMPENSATION.—Committee members shall
17 serve without compensation.

18 (c) AUTHORITY.—Not later than 9 months after the
19 date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall establish
20 and appoint all members of the Committee.

21 (d) DUTIES.—

22 (1) RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE DEPARTMENT
23 OF TRANSPORTATION.—Not later than 18 months
24 after the date of enactment of this Act, the Com-
25 mittee shall make recommendations to the Secretary

1 on actions the Department can take to help combat
2 human trafficking, including the development and
3 implementation of—

4 (A) successful strategies for identifying
5 and reporting instances of human trafficking;
6 and

7 (B) recommendations for administrative or
8 legislative changes necessary to use programs,
9 properties, or other resources owned, operated,
10 or funded by the Department to combat human
11 trafficking.

12 (2) BEST PRACTICES AND RECOMMENDA-
13 TIONS.—

14 (A) IN GENERAL.—The Committee shall
15 develop recommended best practices for States
16 and State and local transportation stakeholders
17 to follow in combating human trafficking.

18 (B) DEVELOPMENT.—The best practices
19 shall be based on multidisciplinary research and
20 promising, evidence-based models and pro-
21 grams.

22 (C) CONTENT.—The best practices shall be
23 user-friendly, incorporate the most up-to-date
24 technology, and include the following:

25 (i) Sample training materials.

1 (ii) Strategies to identify victims.

2 (iii) Sample protocols and rec-
3 ommendations, including—

4 (I) strategies to collect, docu-
5 ment, and share data across systems
6 and agencies;

7 (II) strategies to help agencies
8 better understand the types of traf-
9 ficking involved, the scope of the prob-
10 lem, and the degree of victim inter-
11 action with multiple systems; and

12 (III) strategies to identify effec-
13 tive pathways for State agencies to
14 utilize their position in educating crit-
15 ical stakeholder groups and assisting
16 victims.

17 (D) INFORMING STATES OF BEST PRAC-
18 TICES.—The Secretary shall ensure that State
19 Governors and State departments of transpor-
20 tation are notified of the best practices and rec-
21 ommendations.

22 (e) REPORTS.—Not later than 2 years after the date
23 of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall—

24 (1) submit a report on the actions of the Com-
25 mittee described in subsection (d) to—

1 (A) the Committee on Commerce, Science,
2 and Transportation of the Senate; and

3 (B) the Committee on Transportation and
4 Infrastructure of the House of Representatives;
5 and

6 (2) make the report under paragraph (1) pub-
7 licly available both physically and online.

8 (f) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

9 (1) COMMITTEE.—The term “Committee”
10 means the Department of Transportation Advisory
11 Committee on Human Trafficking established under
12 subsection (a).

13 (2) HUMAN TRAFFICKING.—The term “human
14 trafficking” means an act or practice described in
15 paragraph (9) or paragraph (10) of section 103 of
16 the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 (22
17 U.S.C. 7102).

18 (3) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
19 the Secretary of Transportation.