

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 3232

OFFERED BY MR. RUSH

Page 1, line 5, strike “2007” and insert “2008”.

Strike section 2 and redesignate succeeding sections accordingly.

Page 5, line 19, strike “14” and insert “15”.

Page 7, line 9, strike “and”.

Page 7, line 13, strike the period and insert “; and”.

Page 7, after line 13, insert the following:

1 (O) one shall have appropriate expertise in
2 matters relating to immigration, visa require-
3 ments, and United States entry procedures.

Page 9, line 5, strike “government” and insert “Government or the Corporation”.

Page 14, beginning on line 11, strike “no later than August 16 immediately preceding that” and insert “not less than 60 days before the beginning of each”.

Page 15, line 13, after “board” insert “and any revisions or alterations to the Corporation’s objectives established under subsection (a)”.

Page 15, line 22, strike “2008” and insert “2009”.

Page 15, lines 23 through 24, strike “beginning on” and insert “no earlier than”.

Page 15, line 24, strike “2007,” and insert “2008, and not before the Secretary has appointed all members of the Corporation’s board of directors”.

Page 16, line 5, strike “2010” and insert “2011”.

Page 16, line 6, strike “2012” and insert “2013”.

Page 16, beginning on line 8, strike “to ensure that there is no loss of real purchasing power to the Treasury from this borrowing due to inflation” and insert “taking into consideration current market yields on outstanding Treasury securities of comparable maturities and including any additional charges determined by the Secretary of the Treasury to cover any probable losses and reasonable administrative costs”.

Page 16, line 18: strike “subsection (c)” and insert “subsection (c) and (d)”.

Page 16, after line 23, insert the following:

- 1 (3) PENALTIES.—The Secretary of the Treas-
- 2 ury shall determine and assess penalties to be ap-
- 3 plied for late payments of principal or interest and

1 other Federal credit terms designed to minimize
2 Federal exposure to loss, consistent with the Federal
3 Credit Reform Act and other applicable Federal
4 credit policies.

Page 17, line 3, strike “2008” and insert “2009”.

Page 17, line 4, strike “2009” and insert “2010”.

Page 17, line 10, strike “2009” and insert “2010”.

Page 17, line 24, strike “80” and insert “65”.

Page 18, after line 6, insert the following:

5 (d) GRANT OFFSET.—For a given fiscal year, the
6 Secretary of the Treasury shall reduce the total amount
7 of funding to be transferred to the Corporation from the
8 Travel Promotion Fund by the amount of grants received
9 by the Corporation pursuant to section 3(e)(2)(A) to be
10 used during that fiscal year.

Page 18, line 16, strike “may” and insert “shall”.

Page 19, line 3, insert after the period the following:

“The Secretary of the Treasury shall reduce the total amount of funding for a given fiscal year to be transferred from the Travel Promotion Fund to the Corporation by the amount of interest earned by the Corporation

as a result of its investments pursuant to this section for the preceding fiscal year.”.

Page 19, after line 3, insert the following new section and redesignate succeeding sections accordingly:

1 SEC. 7. PROHIBITION ON USE OF FUNDS.

2 No funds raised by the Treasury Department’s Trav-
3 el Promotion Fund or the Corporation for Travel Pro-
4 motion may be used to directly promote or advertise a spe-
5 cific corporation in lieu of that corporation’s own adver-
6 tisements or promotion efforts.

Page 20, line 17, insert after the period a close quotation mark and “; and”.

Page 20, strike lines 18 through 20.

Page 22, after line 15, insert the following new section and redesignate the succeeding section accordingly:

7 SEC. 9. GAO STUDY.

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the
9 date of enactment of this Act, the Government Account-
10 ability Office shall initiate a study to assess barriers to
11 entry in to the United States by foreign travelers. The
12 GAO shall consult with the Department of Homeland Se-
13 curity, including U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforce-
14 ment and Customs and Border Protection, the Depart-

1 ment of Commerce, and the Department of the Treasury,
2 as necessary.

3 (b) REPORT.—Not later than 1 year after the date
4 of enactment of this Act, the GAO shall report the find-
5 ings to the appropriate Congressional committees. The re-
6 port shall include—

7 (1) the GAO’s findings on specific barriers to
8 entry into the United States by foreign travelers;
9 and

10 (2) recommendations for initiatives that may
11 reduce those barriers.

