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To provide tax and other incentives to maintain a vibrant travel and tourism industry, to keep working people working, and to stimulate economic growth, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island (for himself and Mr. HASTINGS of Florida) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on Energy and Commerce, Small Business, and Education and the Workforce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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## A BILL

To provide tax and other incentives to maintain a vibrant travel and tourism industry, to keep working people working, and to stimulate economic growth, and for other purposes.

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; TABLE OF CONTENTS.**

4 (a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the  
5 “Tourism Revitalization And Valued Employee Labor Act  
6 of 2001”.

1 (b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents of  
 2 this Act is as follows:

- Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.
- Sec. 2. Findings.
- Sec. 3. Personal travel credit.
- Sec. 4. Temporary increase in deduction for business meals and entertainment.
- Sec. 5. Net operating loss carryback for travel and tourism industry.
- Sec. 6. Public-private partnership to stimulate travel to and within the United States.
- Sec. 7. Small business travel and tourism disaster loan program.
- Sec. 8. Work opportunity credit.
- Sec. 9. COBRA continuation coverage and other health insurance coverage and unemployment compensation for certain eligible workers.
- Sec. 10. National emergency grants under the Workforce Investment Act of 1998.

3 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

4 Congress finds the following:

5 (1) Prior to September 11, 2001, more than  
 6 19,000,000 Americans had been employed in travel  
 7 and travel-related jobs, with an estimated annual  
 8 payroll of \$171,500,000,000.

9 (2) In recent years, the travel and tourism in-  
 10 dustry has grown to be the third largest industry as  
 11 measured by retail sales, with over  
 12 \$582,000,000,000 in expenditures, generating over  
 13 \$99,600,000,000 in Federal, State, and local tax  
 14 revenues in 2000.

15 (3) In 2000, the travel and tourism industry  
 16 created a \$14,000,000,000 balance of trade surplus  
 17 for the United States.

18 (4) The travel and tourism industry and all lev-  
 19 els of government are working together to ensure

1 that, following the horrific terrorist attacks on the  
2 World Trade Center and the Pentagon on Sep-  
3 tember 11, 2001, travel is safe and secure, and that  
4 confidence among travelers is maintained.

5 (5) Urgent, short-term measures are necessary  
6 to keep working people working and to generate cash  
7 flow to assist the travel and tourism industry in its  
8 ongoing efforts to retain its economic footing.

9 (6) Increased consumer spending on travel and  
10 tourism is essential to revitalizing the economy.

11 (7) The American public should be encouraged  
12 to travel for personal, as well as on business, as a  
13 means of keeping working people working and gener-  
14 ating cash flow that can help stimulate a rebound in  
15 the Nation's economy.

16 **SEC. 3. PERSONAL TRAVEL CREDIT.**

17 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subpart A of part IV of sub-  
18 chapter A of chapter 1 of the Internal Revenue Code of  
19 1986 (relating to nonrefundable personal credits) is  
20 amended by inserting after section 25B the following new  
21 section:

22 **“SEC. 25C. PERSONAL TRAVEL CREDIT.**

23 “(a) ALLOWANCE OF CREDIT.—In the case of an in-  
24 dividual, there shall be allowed as a credit against the tax  
25 imposed by this chapter for the taxable year an amount

1 equal to the qualified personal travel expenses which are  
2 paid or incurred by the taxpayer for travel occurring after  
3 the date of enactment of this section and before January  
4 1, 2003.

5 “(b) MAXIMUM CREDIT.—The credit allowed to a  
6 taxpayer under subsection (a) for any taxable year shall  
7 not exceed \$500 (\$1,000, in the case of a joint return).

8 “(c) QUALIFIED PERSONAL TRAVEL EXPENSES.—  
9 For purposes of this section—

10 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The term ‘qualified per-  
11 sonal travel expenses’ means expenses in connection  
12 with a qualifying personal trip for—

13 “(A) travel by commercial transportation,  
14 including aircraft, rail, watercraft, or motor ve-  
15 hicle, and

16 “(B) lodging while away from home at any  
17 commercial lodging facility.

18 Such term does not include expenses for meals, en-  
19 tertainment, merchandise, or services.

20 “(2) QUALIFYING PERSONAL TRIP.—

21 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The term ‘qualifying  
22 personal trip’ means travel within the United  
23 States, a possession of the United States, Mex-  
24 ico, or Canada—

1           “(i) the farthest destination of which  
2           is at least 100 miles from the taxpayer’s  
3           residence, and

4           “(ii) involves an overnight stay at a  
5           commercial lodging facility.

6           “(B) ONLY PERSONAL TRAVEL IN-  
7           CLUDED.—With respect to any individual, such  
8           term shall not include travel if, without regard  
9           to this section, any expenses of such individual  
10          in connection with such travel are deductible in  
11          connection with a trade or business or activity  
12          for the production of income.

13          “(3) COMMERCIAL LODGING FACILITY.—The  
14          term ‘commercial lodging facility’ includes any hotel,  
15          lodging motel, resort, rooming house, or camp-  
16          ground.

17          “(d) SPECIAL RULES.—

18                 “(1) DENIAL OF CREDIT TO DEPENDENTS.—No  
19                 credit shall be allowed under this section to any indi-  
20                 vidual with respect to whom a deduction under sec-  
21                 tion 151 is allowable to another taxpayer for a tax-  
22                 able year beginning in the calendar year in which  
23                 such individual’s taxable year begins.

24                 “(2) EXPENSES MUST BE SUBSTANTIATED.—  
25                 No credit shall be allowed by subsection (a) unless

1 the taxpayer substantiates by adequate records or by  
2 sufficient evidence corroborating the taxpayer's own  
3 statement the amount of the expenses described in  
4 subsection (c)(1).

5 “(e) DENIAL OF DOUBLE BENEFIT.—No credit shall  
6 be allowed under this section for any expense for which  
7 a deduction is allowed under this chapter.”.

8 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—The table of sec-  
9 tions for subpart A of part IV of subchapter A of chapter  
10 1 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by  
11 inserting before the item relating to section 26 the fol-  
12 lowing new item:

“Sec. 25C. Personal travel credit.”.

13 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by  
14 this section shall apply to taxable years ending after the  
15 date of the enactment of this Act.

16 **SEC. 4. TEMPORARY INCREASE IN DEDUCTION FOR BUSI-**  
17 **NESS MEALS AND ENTERTAINMENT.**

18 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (n) of section 274 of  
19 the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (relating to only 50  
20 percent of meal and entertainment expenses allowed as de-  
21 duction) is amended by adding at the end the following  
22 new paragraph:

23 “(4) TEMPORARY INCREASE IN LIMITATION.—  
24 With respect to any expense or item paid or incurred  
25 during the period October 1, 2001, through Decem-

1       ber 31, 2002, paragraph (1) shall be applied by sub-  
2       stituting ‘100 percent’ for ‘50 percent’.”.

3       (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by  
4 this section shall apply to taxable years ending after the  
5 date of the enactment of this Act.

6 **SEC. 5. NET OPERATING LOSS CARRYBACK FOR TRAVEL**  
7 **AND TOURISM INDUSTRY.**

8       (a) IN GENERAL.—Paragraph (1) of section 172(b)  
9 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (relating to years  
10 to which loss may be carried) is amended by adding at  
11 the end the following new subparagraph:

12               “(H) TRAVEL AND TOURISM INDUSTRY  
13       LOSSES.—In the case of a taxpayer which has  
14       a travel or tourism loss (as defined in sub-  
15       section (j)) for a taxable year that includes any  
16       portion of the period beginning on or after Sep-  
17       tember 12, 2001, and ending before January 1,  
18       2003, such travel or tourism loss shall be a net  
19       operating loss carryback to each of the 5 tax-  
20       able years preceding the taxable year of such  
21       loss.”.

22       (b) SPECIAL RULES FOR TRAVEL AND TOURISM IN  
23 LOSSES.—Section 172 of the Internal Revenue Code of  
24 1986 (relating to net operating loss deduction) is amended

1 by redesignating subsection (j) as subsection (k) and by  
2 inserting after subsection (i) the following new subsection:

3 “(j) RULES RELATING TO TRAVEL AND TOURISM IN-  
4 DUSTRY LOSSES.—For purposes of this section—

5 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The term ‘travel or tourism  
6 loss’ means the lesser of—

7 “(A) the amount which would be the net  
8 operating loss for the taxable year if only in-  
9 come and deductions attributable to the travel  
10 or tourism business are taken into account, or

11 “(B) the amount of the net operating loss  
12 for such taxable year.

13 “(2) TRAVEL OR TOURISM BUSINESS.—The  
14 term ‘travel or tourism business’ includes the active  
15 conduct of a trade or business directly related to  
16 travel or tourism, including—

17 “(A) the provision of commercial transpor-  
18 tation (including rentals) or lodging,

19 “(B) the operation of airports or other  
20 transportation facilities or the provision of serv-  
21 ices or the sale of merchandise within such fa-  
22 cilities,

23 “(C) the provision of services as a travel  
24 agent,



1           “(D) the operation of convention, trade  
2           show, or entertainment facilities, and

3           “(E) the provision of other services as  
4           specified by the Secretary.

5           “(3) COORDINATION WITH SUBSECTION  
6           (b)(2).—For purposes of applying subsection (b)(2),  
7           a travel or tourism loss for any taxable year shall be  
8           treated in a manner similar to the manner in which  
9           a specified liability loss is treated.

10          “(4) ELECTION.—Any taxpayer entitled to a 5-  
11          year carryback under subsection (b)(1)(H) from any  
12          loss year may elect to have the carryback period  
13          with respect to such loss year determined without re-  
14          gard to subsection (b)(1)(H). Such election shall be  
15          made in such manner as may be prescribed by the  
16          Secretary and shall be made by the due date (includ-  
17          ing extensions of time) for filing the taxpayer’s re-  
18          turn for the taxable year of the net operating loss.  
19          Such election, once made for any taxable year, shall  
20          be irrevocable for such taxable year.

21          “(5) RELATED TAXPAYERS.—Under regulations  
22          prescribed by the Secretary and at the election of a  
23          taxpayer entitled to a 5-year carryback under sub-  
24          section (b)(1)(H) with respect to a travel or tourism  
25          loss, such loss may be credited against the taxable

1 income earned during the 5-year carryback period by  
2 any member of a controlled group of corporations  
3 (as defined in section 1563(a)) of which the tax-  
4 payer is a component or additional member within  
5 the meaning of section 1563(b).”.

6 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by  
7 this section shall apply to taxable years ending before, on,  
8 or after the date of the enactment of this Act.

9 **SEC. 6. PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP TO STIMULATE**  
10 **TRAVEL TO AND WITHIN THE UNITED**  
11 **STATES.**

12 (a) PROMOTIONAL EFFORTS TO ENCOURAGE TRAV-  
13 EL.—The Secretary of Commerce is authorized to award  
14 grants and to make direct expenditures in support of a  
15 coordinated, national promotional campaign developed in  
16 consultation with the private sector to encourage individ-  
17 uals to travel to and within the United States.

18 (b) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—

19 (1) AUTHORIZATION.—Subject to paragraphs  
20 (3) and (4), there is authorized to be appropriated  
21 \$30,000,000 for fiscal year 2002 and \$20,000,000  
22 for fiscal year 2003 for the purpose of funding pro-  
23 motional programs to encourage individuals to travel  
24 to and within the United States.

1           (2) DESIGNATION.—Congress designates the  
2           entire amounts described in paragraph (1) as emer-  
3           gency requirements pursuant to section 252(e) of  
4           the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control  
5           Act of 1985.

6           (3) CONDITIONS ON DISBURSEMENT OF  
7           FUNDS.—None of the funds authorized to be appro-  
8           priated under paragraph (1) may be disbursed by  
9           the Secretary until he has—

10                   (A) determined that a comparable amount  
11                   of funds will be expended collectively by the pri-  
12                   vate sector and state and local governments,  
13                   whether in the form of cash or in-kind contribu-  
14                   tions, in support of such promotional efforts;  
15                   and

16                   (B) established appropriate procedures to  
17                   maximize the value of the Federal Govern-  
18                   ment's expenditure of funds to promote travel  
19                   to and within the United States.

20           (4) RESTRICTIONS ON USE OF FUNDS.—None  
21           of the funds authorized to be appropriated under  
22           paragraph (1) may be used for purposes other than  
23           radio, television, and print advertising and mar-  
24           keting programs designed to promote travel to and  
25           within the United States.

1           (5) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—With respect to  
2 funds authorized for expenditure in fiscal years 2002  
3 and 2003, not later than March 30, 2003, and  
4 March 30, 2004, as appropriate, the Secretary shall  
5 submit to the Committee on Energy and Commerce  
6 and the Committee on Transportation and Infra-  
7 structure of the House of Representatives and the  
8 Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transpor-  
9 tation of the Senate a detailed report setting forth—

10                   (A) the manner in which the appropriated  
11 funds were expended; and

12                   (B) total expenditures by the private sector  
13 and state and local governments, in the form of  
14 cash and in-kind contributions, in support of  
15 the programs authorized under this section to  
16 encourage individuals to travel to and within  
17 the United States.

18 **SEC. 7. SMALL BUSINESS TRAVEL AND TOURISM DISASTER**

19                   **LOAN PROGRAM.**

20           (a) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator of the Small  
21 Business Administration may make loans under section  
22 7(b)(2) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 636(b)(2))  
23 to travel or tourism small business concerns that suffered  
24 substantial economic injury as a result of the terrorist at-

1 tacks against the United States that occurred on Sep-  
2 tember 11, 2001.

3 (b) SPECIAL RULES.—Notwithstanding the require-  
4 ments of subsections (b) and (c) of section 7 of the Small  
5 Business Act (15 U.S.C. 636), the following special rules  
6 apply to loans described in subsection (a):

7 (1) INTEREST RATE.—The Administrator may  
8 charge interest on any such loan. Such charge may  
9 not exceed a rate of 4 percent per year.

10 (2) USE OF LOAN PROCEEDS.—In addition to  
11 any purpose for which the proceeds of a loan made  
12 under section 7(b)(2) of the Small Business Act (15  
13 U.S.C. 636(b)(2)) could otherwise be used, the pro-  
14 ceeds of any loan made under subsection (a) may be  
15 used for the following purposes:

16 (A) Retaining existing employees.

17 (B) Continuing health care or other bene-  
18 fits for employees laid off by the concern after  
19 September 11, 2001.

20 (C) Refinancing indebtedness incurred  
21 prior to September 11, 2001.

22 (3) DISASTER AREA.—No declaration of a dis-  
23 aster area is required.

1 (c) TERMINATION.—The Administrator may not  
2 make a loan pursuant to the special rules of this section  
3 after December 31, 2002.

4 (d) TRAVEL OR TOURISM SMALL BUSINESS CON-  
5 CERN.—For the purposes of this section, the term “travel  
6 or tourism small business concern” means a small busi-  
7 ness concern (as defined in section 3(a) of the Small Busi-  
8 ness Act (15 U.S.C. 632(a)) that provides a majority of  
9 the goods and services produced by the concern to busi-  
10 nesses in the travel or tourism industry, or that is itself  
11 in the travel or tourism industry, including any small busi-  
12 ness concern described in sector 72, subsectors 481, 487,  
13 and 713, and code 532111 of the North American Indus-  
14 try Classification System codes (as described in section  
15 121.201 of title 13, Code of Federal Regulations, as in  
16 effect on January 2, 2001).

17 **SEC. 8. WORK OPPORTUNITY CREDIT.**

18 Subparagraph (B) of section 51(c)(4) of the Internal  
19 Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by striking “2001” and  
20 inserting “2002”.

1 **SEC. 9. COBRA CONTINUATION COVERAGE AND OTHER**  
2 **HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE AND UNEM-**  
3 **EMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FOR CERTAIN**  
4 **ELIGIBLE WORKERS.**

5 (a) **ELIGIBLE EMPLOYEE DEFINED.**—For purposes  
6 of this section:

7 (1) **IN GENERAL.**—The term “eligible em-  
8 ployee” means an individual who has become totally  
9 or partially separated, or is threatened to become to-  
10 tally or partially separated, from employment with a  
11 travel or tourism business (as defined in section  
12 172(j)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986) as  
13 a consequence of—

14 (A) reductions in services by a travel or  
15 tourism business or hospitality business (includ-  
16 ing hotels, restaurants, and catering) as a re-  
17 sult of a terrorist action or security measure, as  
18 determined by the Secretary of Labor (in this  
19 section referred to as the “Secretary”); or

20 (B) a closure of such a travel or tourism  
21 or hospitality business in the United States as  
22 a result of a terrorist action or security meas-  
23 ure, as determined by the Secretary.

24 (2) **TOTAL OR PARTIAL SEPARATION.**—Deter-  
25 minations as to whether an individual has become  
26 totally or partially separated, or is threatened to be-

1       come totally or partially separated, from employment  
2       shall be made in accordance with such criteria as the  
3       Secretary shall prescribe, taking into consideration  
4       the provisions of section 247 of the Trade Act of  
5       1974 and the purposes of this section.

6       (b) COBRA CONTINUATION COVERAGE ASSIST-  
7 ANCE.—

8           (1) IN GENERAL.—In the case of an eligible  
9       employee, subject to subsection (e), the Secretary  
10      shall provide for payment of premiums for COBRA  
11      continuation coverage with respect to such employee  
12      and members of the individual’s family. Such pay-  
13      ment may be made through appropriate direct pay-  
14      ment arrangements with the group health plan or  
15      health insurance issuer involved. The Secretary may  
16      require documentation of election of benefits or  
17      proof of premium payment.

18          (2) COBRA CONTINUATION COVERAGE DE-  
19      FINED.—For purposes of this section, the term  
20      “COBRA continuation coverage” means coverage  
21      under a COBRA continuation provision (as defined  
22      in section 2791(d)(4) of the Public Health Service  
23      Act) or under section 8905a of title 5, United States  
24      Code.



1 (c) OPTIONAL TEMPORARY MEDICAID COVERAGE  
2 FOR UNINSURED ELIGIBLE EMPLOYEES.—

3 (1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other  
4 provision of law, subject to subsection (e), a State  
5 may elect to provide, under its medicaid program  
6 under title XIX of the Social Security Act, medical  
7 assistance in the case of an individual who is eligible  
8 for benefits under this bill, who is not eligible for  
9 COBRA continuation coverage, and who is unin-  
10 sured. For purposes of this subsection, an individual  
11 is considered to be uninsured if the individual is not  
12 covered under a group health plan, health insurance  
13 coverage, or under such program or a program  
14 under title XVIII or XXI of such Act.

15 (2) LIMITATION TO 18 MONTHS OF COV-  
16 ERAGE.—Assistance under this subsection shall end  
17 with respect to an individual on the earlier of—

18 (A) the date the individual is no longer un-  
19 insured; or

20 (B) 18 months after the date the indi-  
21 vidual is first determined to be eligible for med-  
22 ical assistance under this subsection.

23 (3) SPECIAL RULES.—In the case of medical as-  
24 sistance provided under this subsection—

1 (A) the Federal medical assistance percent-  
2 age under section 1905(b) of the Social Secu-  
3 rity Act shall be 100 percent;

4 (B) a State may elect to disregard any in-  
5 come, asset, or resource limitation imposed  
6 under the State medicaid plan or under title  
7 XIX of such Act;

8 (C) such medical assistance shall not be  
9 provided for periods before the date the indi-  
10 vidual is determined eligible for such assistance;

11 (D) a State may elect to make eligible for  
12 such assistance a dependent spouse or children  
13 of an individual eligible for medical assistance  
14 under paragraph (1), if such spouse or children  
15 are uninsured; and

16 (E) individuals eligible for medical assist-  
17 ance under this subsection shall be deemed to  
18 be described in the list of individuals described  
19 in the matter preceding paragraph (1) of sec-  
20 tion 1905(a) of such Act.

21 (d) ASSISTANCE FOR EMPLOYEES NOT ELIGIBLE  
22 FOR UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS.—

23 (1) APPLICABILITY.—This subsection applies  
24 with respect to individuals who—

1 (A) qualify as eligible employees by virtue  
2 of having become totally separated from em-  
3 ployment in a State, and

4 (B) would not otherwise be eligible for  
5 compensation under the unemployment com-  
6 pensation law of that State (as determined  
7 under paragraph (5)).

8 (2) TEMPORARY UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS.—

9 The Secretary may, in accordance with such terms  
10 and conditions as the Secretary shall prescribe based  
11 on the Emergency Unemployment Compensation Act  
12 of 1991 or similar provisions of law, and subject to  
13 subsection (e), enter into an agreement with a State,  
14 whereby—

15 (A) individuals described in paragraph (1)  
16 who become separated from employment in  
17 such State would be eligible to receive tem-  
18 porary unemployment benefits from such State,  
19 and

20 (B) reimbursement to such State would be  
21 made under this subsection for—

22 (i) the full amount of any temporary  
23 unemployment benefits paid out by such  
24 State under such agreement, and

1 (ii) reasonable costs incurred by such  
2 State in the administration of such agree-  
3 ment.

4 (3) DURATION AND AMOUNT OF BENEFITS.—  
5 Under such an agreement—

6 (A) benefits shall be available to an indi-  
7 vidual as long as the individual's unemployment  
8 continues or until the individual is reemployed  
9 in a suitable position, but for no longer than 26  
10 weeks of unemployment, and

11 (B) such benefits shall not, for a week of  
12 unemployment, exceed the average weekly ben-  
13 efit received by an individual in the State under  
14 the State unemployment compensation law dur-  
15 ing the most recent 52-week period for which  
16 data are available (as of the time of such indi-  
17 vidual's application for benefits).

18 (4) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this sub-  
19 section, the terms “compensation”, “State”, and  
20 “week” have the respective meanings given such  
21 terms under section 205 of the Federal-State Ex-  
22 tended Unemployment Compensation Act of 1970  
23 (26 U.S.C. 3304 note).

1           (5) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary may pre-  
2       scribe any operating instructions or regulations nec-  
3       essary to carry out this subsection.

4           (e) FUNDING.—There is hereby authorized to be ap-  
5       propriated \$1,750,000,000 to carry out this section in fis-  
6       cal years 2002 and 2003.

7       **SEC. 10. NATIONAL EMERGENCY GRANTS UNDER THE**  
8                               **WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT OF 1998.**

9           (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 173(a) of the Workforce  
10      Investment Act of 1998 (29 U.S.C. 2918(a)) is  
11      amended—

12               (1) in paragraph (2), by striking “and” at the  
13      end;

14               (2) in paragraph (3), by striking the period at  
15      the end and inserting “; and”; and

16               (3) by adding at the end the following:

17                       “(4) to a State or local board that applies for  
18      assistance under subsection (f) to provide employ-  
19      ment and training assistance to travel or tourism in-  
20      dustry workers who are dislocated as a result of the  
21      terrorist attacks against the United States that oc-  
22      curred on September 11, 2001.”.

23           (b) REQUIREMENTS.—Section 173 of the Workforce  
24      Investment Act of 1998 (29 U.S.C. 2918) is amended by  
25      adding at the end the following:

1       “(f) RELIEF FOR TRAVEL OR TOURISM INDUSTRY  
2 WORKERS DISLOCATED AS A RESULT OF THE TERRORIST  
3 ATTACKS OF SEPTEMBER 11, 2001.—

4           “(1) GRANT RECIPIENT ELIGIBILITY.—To be  
5 eligible to receive a grant under subsection (a)(4), a  
6 State or local board shall submit to the Secretary an  
7 application at such time, in such manner, and con-  
8 taining such information as the Secretary may re-  
9 quire.

10          “(2) PARTICIPANT ELIGIBILITY.—To be eligible  
11 to receive employment and training assistance under  
12 a grant awarded under subsection (a)(4), a worker  
13 shall be an individual who has become totally or par-  
14 tially separated, or is threatened to become totally or  
15 partially separated, from employment with a travel  
16 or tourism business (as defined in section 172(j)(2)  
17 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986) as a con-  
18 sequence of—

19           “(A) reductions in services by a travel or  
20 tourism business or hospitality business (includ-  
21 ing hotels, restaurants, and catering) as a re-  
22 sult of the terrorist attacks against the United  
23 States that occurred on September 11, 2001, or  
24 a security measure related to such attacks, as  
25 determined by the Secretary; or

1           “(B) a closure of such a travel or tourism  
2           or hospitality business in the United States as  
3           a result of such terrorist attacks or security  
4           measure, as determined by the Secretary.

5           “(3) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—  
6           There is authorized to be appropriated \$50,000,000  
7           for each of the fiscal years 2002 and 2003 for the  
8           award of grants under subsection (a)(4) in accord-  
9           ance with this subsection.”.

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