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# H. R. 2586

To amend the Export Enhancement Act of 1988 to make improvements to the trade promotion policies and programs of the United States Government.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. CHABOT (for himself and Mr. CONNOLLY) introduced the following bill;  
which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

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## 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 “Export Coordination  
5       Act of 2015”.

6       **SEC. 2. DUTIES.**

7       (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 2312(b) of the Export  
8       Enhancement Act of 1988 (15 U.S.C. 4727(b)) is amend-  
9       ed—

1           (1) in paragraph (4), by adding at the end be-  
2           fore the semicolon the following: “, including identi-  
3           fying opportunities to consolidate or co-locate offices  
4           of agencies involved in such activities”;

5           (2) in paragraph (5)—

6                 (A) by inserting “, including the use and  
7                 coordination of electronic databases,” after “the  
8                 appropriate levels and allocation of resources”;  
9                 and

10                (B) by striking “and” at the end;

11           (3) by redesignating paragraph (6) as para-  
12           graph (7); and

13           (4) by inserting after paragraph (5) the fol-  
14           lowing:

15                “(6) to the maximum extent practicable, pro-  
16                vide a detailed listing of current and future Federal  
17                and State-led trade missions, trade fairs, and related  
18                activities to ensure better delivery of services to  
19                United States businesses; and”.

20           (b) AVAILABILITY OF INFORMATION.—The Secretary  
21           of Commerce shall make available the information on Fed-  
22           eral and State-led trade missions, trade fairs, and related  
23           activities described in paragraph (6) of section 2312(b)  
24           of the Export Enhancement Act of 1988, as added by sub-

1 section (a)(4) of this section, on the Web site Export.gov  
 2 or a successor Web site.

3 **SEC. 3. STRATEGIC PLAN.**

4 Section 2312(c) of the Export Enhancement Act of  
 5 1988 (15 U.S.C. 4727(c)) is amended—

6 (1) by redesignating paragraphs (3) through  
 7 (6) as paragraphs (4) through (7), respectively;

8 (2) by inserting after paragraph (2) the fol-  
 9 lowing:

10 “(3) with respect to export promotion and ex-  
 11 port financing activities of each agency that is a  
 12 member of the TPCC—

13 “(A) clearly identify and explain the role of  
 14 each agency; and

15 “(B) describe the goals and objectives of  
 16 each agency and explain the rationale for meas-  
 17 uring and reporting the goals and objectives;”;  
 18 (3) in paragraph (5) (as redesignated)—

19 (A) by inserting “and Congress” after “the  
 20 President”; and

21 (B) by striking “paragraph (3)” and in-  
 22 serting “paragraph (4)”;

23 (4) in paragraph (6) (as redesignated), by strik-  
 24 ing “and” at the end;

25 (5) in paragraph (7) (as redesignated)—

1 (A) by striking “United States National  
 2 Tourism Organization” and inserting “United  
 3 States Travel Association”; and

4 (B) by striking the period at the end and  
 5 inserting “; and”; and

6 (6) by inserting after paragraph (7) (as redesign-  
 7 nated) the following:

8 “(8) include the recommendations of the Comp-  
 9 troller General of the United States as the rec-  
 10 ommendations relate to coordination of the TPCC  
 11 and agencies that are members of the TPCC;”.

12 **SEC. 4. MEMBERSHIP AND STAFF.**

13 (a) MEMBERSHIP.—Section 2312(d) of the Export  
 14 Enhancement Act of 1988 (15 U.S.C. 4727(d)) is amend-  
 15 ed—

16 (1) in paragraph (1)—

17 (A) by striking “and” at the end of sub-  
 18 paragraph (L);

19 (B) by redesignating subparagraph (M) as  
 20 subparagraph (N); and

21 (C) by inserting after subparagraph (L)  
 22 the following:

23 “(M) the Millennium Challenge Corpora-  
 24 tion; and”;

1           (2) by redesignating paragraph (2) as para-  
2       graph (3); and

3           (3) by inserting after paragraph (1) the fol-  
4       lowing:

5           “(2) STATE TRADE PROMOTION AGENCIES.—

6                   “(A) IN GENERAL.—The TPCC shall also  
7       include one ex officio, nonvoting member ap-  
8       pointed by the President who is a representative  
9       from a State trade promotion agency and is a  
10      member of the working group established under  
11      subparagraph (B).

12                   “(B) WORKING GROUP.—The TPCC shall  
13      establish a working group to advise the TPCC  
14      on matters relating to State trade promotion.  
15      The working group shall include representatives  
16      from State trade promotion agencies.”.

17      (b) STAFF.—Section 2312 of the Export Enhance-  
18      ment Act of 1988 (15 U.S.C. 4727) is amended—

19           (1) by redesignating subsection (f) as sub-  
20      section (g); and

21           (2) by inserting after subsection (e) the fol-  
22      lowing:

23           “(f) STAFF.—Upon request of the chairperson of the  
24      TPCC, the head of any Federal department or agency that  
25      is a member of the TPCC may detail, on a reimbursable

1 basis, any of the personnel of that department or agency  
 2 to the TPCC to assist it in carrying out its duties under  
 3 this section.”.

4 **SEC. 5. MEMBER QUALIFICATIONS.**

5 Section 2312(e) of the Export Enhancement Act of  
 6 1988 (15 U.S.C. 4727(e)) is amended in the first sentence  
 7 by inserting “(other than members described in subsection  
 8 (d)(2))” after “Members of the TPCC”.

9 **SEC. 6. REPORT TO CONGRESS.**

10 Subsection (g) of section 2312 of the Export En-  
 11 hancement Act of 1988 (15 U.S.C. 4727), as redesignated  
 12 by section 4(b)(1) of this Act, is amended to read as fol-  
 13 lows:

14 “(g) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—

15 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The chairperson of the  
 16 TPCC shall prepare and submit to the appropriate  
 17 congressional committees, not later than March 30  
 18 of each year, a report that—

19 “(A) describes the strategic plan developed  
 20 by the TPCC pursuant to subsection (c), the  
 21 implementation of such plan, and any revisions  
 22 thereto; and

23 “(B) describes the implementation of sec-  
 24 tions 303 and 304 of the FREEDOM Support  
 25 Act (22 U.S.C. 5823 and 5824) concerning

1 funding for export promotion activities and the  
 2 interagency working groups on energy of the  
 3 TPCC.

4 “(2) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-  
 5 TEES DEFINED.—In this subsection, the term ‘ap-  
 6 propriate congressional committees’ means—

7 “(A) the Committee on Appropriations, the  
 8 Committee on Energy and Commerce, the Com-  
 9 mittee on Financial Services, the Committee on  
 10 Foreign Affairs, the Committee on Small Busi-  
 11 ness, and the Committee on Ways and Means  
 12 of the House of Representatives; and

13 “(B) the Committee on Appropriations, the  
 14 Committee on Commerce, Science, and Trans-  
 15 portation, the Committee on Finance, the Com-  
 16 mittee on Foreign Relations, and the Com-  
 17 mittee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship  
 18 of the Senate.”.

19 **SEC. 7. ADDITIONAL REPORT TO CONGRESS.**

20 Section 2312 of the Export Enhancement Act of  
 21 1988 (15 U.S.C. 4727) is amended by adding at the end  
 22 the following:

23 “(h) ADDITIONAL REPORT TO CONGRESS.—

24 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Inspector General of  
 25 the Department of Commerce shall prepare and sub-

1       mit to the appropriate congressional committees, on  
2       a biennial basis, a report on the extent to which the  
3       TPCC is successfully carrying out its duties as de-  
4       scribed in subsection (b) and the extent to which the  
5       strategic plan as described in subsection (c) is suc-  
6       cessfully being implemented.

7               “(2) CONSULTATION.—In preparing the report  
8       required under paragraph (1), the Inspector General  
9       of the Department of Commerce shall, to the max-  
10      imum extent practicable, consult with the inspector  
11      general of each other Federal department or agency  
12      that is a member of the TPCC.

13              “(3) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-  
14      TEES DEFINED.—In this subsection, the term ‘ap-  
15      propriate congressional committees’ has the meaning  
16      given such term in subsection (g)(2).”.

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