

AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_ Calendar No. \_\_\_\_\_

Purpose: In the nature of a substitute.

**IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES—116th Cong., 2d Sess.**

**S. 238**

To amend the State Department Basic Authorities Act of 1956 to monitor and combat anti-Semitism globally, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_ and  
ordered to be printed

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AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE intended  
to be proposed by Mr. RUBIO

Viz:

1 Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the fol-  
2 lowing:

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Special Envoy to Mon-  
5 itor and Combat Anti-Semitism Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. FINDING.**

7 Congress finds that, since the Global Anti-Semitism  
8 Review Act of 2004 (Public Law 108–332) was enacted,  
9 in many foreign countries acts of anti-Semitism have been  
10 frequent and wide in scope, the perpetrators and variety  
11 of threats to Jewish communities and their institutions

1 have proliferated, and in some countries anti-Semitic at-  
2 tacks have increased in frequency, scope, violence, and  
3 deadliness.

4 **SEC. 3. MONITORING AND COMBATING ANTI-SEMITISM.**

5 Section 59(a) of the State Department Basic Au-  
6 thorities Act of 1956 (22 U.S.C. 2731(a)) is amended—

7 (1) in paragraph (2)—

8 (A) in subparagraph (A)—

9 (i) by inserting before the period at  
10 the end the following: “, who shall be ap-  
11 pointed by the President, by and with the  
12 advice and consent of the Senate”; and

13 (ii) by adding at the end the following  
14 new sentence: “The Special Envoy shall re-  
15 port directly to the Secretary.”; and

16 (B) in subparagraph (B)—

17 (i) in the heading, by striking “AP-  
18 POINTMENT” and inserting “NOMINA-  
19 TION”;

20 (ii) by striking the first sentence;

21 (iii) in the second sentence, by strik-  
22 ing “If the Secretary determines that such  
23 is appropriate, the Secretary may appoint”  
24 and inserting “If the President determines

1                   that such is appropriate, the President  
2                   may nominate”; and

3                   (iv) in the third sentence, by striking  
4                   “The Secretary may allow such officer or  
5                   employee to retain the position (and the  
6                   responsibilities associated with such posi-  
7                   tion) held by such officer or employee prior  
8                   to the appointment” and inserting “Such  
9                   officer or employee may not retain the po-  
10                  sition (or the responsibilities associated  
11                  with such position) held by such officer or  
12                  employee prior to the nomination”; and

13                  (2) by adding at the end the following new  
14                  paragraphs:

15                  “(3) DUTIES.—The Special Envoy shall serve  
16                  as the primary advisor to, and coordinate efforts  
17                  across, the United States Government relating to  
18                  monitoring and combating anti-Semitism and anti-  
19                  Semitic incitement that occur in foreign countries.

20                  “(4) RANK AND STATUS OF AMBASSADOR.—  
21                  The Special Envoy shall have the rank of ambas-  
22                  sador.

23                  “(5) QUALIFICATIONS.—The Special Envoy  
24                  should be a person of recognized distinction in the  
25                  field of combating anti-Semitism.”.