

AMENDMENT NO. _____ Calendar No. _____

Purpose: To require a study assessing the feasibility and advisability of subnational compacts.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES—114th Cong., 2d Sess.

S. 1605

To amend the Millennium Challenge Act of 2003 to authorize concurrent compacts for purposes of regional economic integration and cross-border collaborations, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on _____ and ordered to be printed

Ordered to lie on the table and to be printed

AMENDMENT intended to be proposed by Mr. CORKER to the amendment (No. DAV16D54) proposed by Mr. CARDIN

Viz:

1 At the end of the amendment, add the following:

2 **SEC. 9. STUDY ON SUBNATIONAL COMPACTS.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the
4 date of the enactment of this Act, the Millennium Chal-
5 lenge Corporation shall submit to the appropriate congres-
6 sional committees a study assessing the feasibility and de-
7 sirability of developing partnerships at the subnational
8 level within candidate countries that would be complemen-
9 tary to, and, where applicable, concurrent with, the Millen-

1 Millennium Challenge Corporation’s national-level or regional in-
2 vestments.

3 (b) CONTENT.—The study required under subsection
4 (a) shall examine, at a minimum, the following issues:

5 (1) The extent to which targeting investments
6 at the subnational level might provide new opportu-
7 nities for reducing poverty through economic growth.

8 (2) The extent to which traditional approaches
9 to defining poverty may not adequately capture the
10 nature of poverty within a country.

11 (3) What types of subnational entities might be
12 appropriate partners for subnational Millennium
13 Challenge Corporation compacts, how such can-
14 didates might best be identified, and what role each
15 national government should play in creating or im-
16 plementing a subnational partnership.

17 (c) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES DE-
18 FINED.—In this section, the term “appropriate congres-
19 sional committees” means—

20 (1) the Committee on Foreign Relations and
21 the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate; and

22 (2) the Committee on Foreign Affairs and the
23 Committee on Appropriations of the House of Rep-
24 resentatives.