

## S 1753

### International Travelers Bill of Rights Act of 2011

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**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Commerce

**Introduced:** Oct 20, 2011

**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. (text of measure

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. (text of measure as introduced: CR S6877-6878) (Oct 20, 2011)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Kirk, Mark Steven [R-IL]

**Party:** Republican • **State:** IL • **Chamber:** Senate

### Cosponsors (4 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Brown, Scott P. [R-MA]	R · MA		Oct 20, 2011
Sen. Cardin, Benjamin L. [D-MD]	D · MD		Oct 20, 2011
Sen. Kerry, John F. [D-MA]	D · MA		Oct 20, 2011
Sen. Mikulski, Barbara A. [D-MD]	D · MD		Dec 1, 2011

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Referred To	Oct 20, 2011

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Commerce

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
112 HR 3241	Identical bill	Feb 3, 2012: Referred to the Subcommittee on Terrorism, Nonproliferation, and Trade.
112 HR 1120	Related bill	Mar 28, 2011: Referred to the Subcommittee on Commerce, Manufacturing, and Trade.

International Travelers Bill of Rights Act of 2011 - Requires an individual or entity that operates a website that provides access to international travel services to provide to consumers information regarding the health and safety risks associated with overseas vacation destinations marketed on such website, including: (1) information compiled by the Department of State that includes country-specific travel warnings and alerts; and (2) information on the availability of on site health and safety services at a destination, including the hours and days such services are available, or a disclaimer that such destination does not provide certain health and safety services or that information regarding such services is not available. Requires a website operator that does not possess information on a destination's health and safety services to request it from that destination.

Grants the website operator immunity from liability relating to inaccurate or incomplete information if such information was provided by the destination and the operator published it without knowledge that it was inaccurate or incomplete.

Treats a violation as an unfair or deceptive act or practice under the Federal Trade Commission Act.

Amends the State Department Basic Authorities Act of 1956 to require the Secretary of State to: (1) collect and include in the database on overseas deaths of U.S. citizens from non-natural causes information on the name and address of the property where a death occurred, and (2) update the database not less frequently than once each month (currently, every six months) and to report such updated information to Congress.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Oct 20, 2011:** Introduced in Senate
- **Oct 20, 2011:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S6877)
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