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H. R. 1318

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 24, 2021

Mr. YOUNG introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

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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,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Alaska Tourism Recov-
3 ery Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. VOYAGE DEEMED TO BE FOREIGN.**

5 (a) **CRITERIA.**—A roundtrip voyage transporting pas-
6 sengers between a port or place in the State of Alaska
7 and a port or place in the State of Washington is deemed
8 a foreign voyage for purposes of U.S. law, if the voyage—

9 (1) is made by a passenger vessel to which sec-
10 tions 3507 and 3508 of title 46, United States Code,
11 apply; and

12 (2) which occurs during the period described in
13 subsection (b).

14 (b) **DURATION OF APPLICABILITY.**—A voyage
15 deemed to be a foreign voyage under subsection (a) is a
16 voyage which begins not later than any date prior to Feb-
17 ruary 28, 2022, on which the Government of Canada or
18 its political subdivisions, or any port or province in Can-
19 ada, prohibits a passenger vessel to which sections 3507
20 and 3508 of title 46, United States Code, apply from en-
21 tering, berthing, or docking in Canadian waters of the Pa-
22 cific Coast due to the COVID–19 pandemic.

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