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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Ms. ROSEN (for herself, Mr. WICKER, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, and Mr. BLUNT) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

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 “Travel Optimization
5 by Updating and Revitalizing Infrastructure to Support
6 Mobilization Act” or the “TOURISM Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. NATIONAL TRAVEL AND TOURISM INFRASTRUC-**
 2 **TURE STRATEGIC PLAN.**

3 Section 1431(e) of the FAST Act (49 U.S.C. 301
 4 note; Public Law 114–94) is amended—

5 (1) by redesignating paragraphs (1) through
 6 (7) as subparagraphs (A) through (G), respectively,
 7 and indenting appropriately;

8 (2) in the matter preceding subparagraph (A)
 9 (as so redesignated)—

10 (A) by striking “Not later than 3 years
 11 after the date of enactment of this Act” and in-
 12 serting “Not later than 180 days after the date
 13 of enactment of the TOURISM Act”; and

14 (B) by striking “plan that includes” and
 15 inserting the following: “plan—

16 “(1) to develop an immediate-term and long-
 17 term strategy, including policy recommendations
 18 across all modes of transportation, for the Depart-
 19 ment and other agencies to use infrastructure invest-
 20 ments to revive the travel and tourism industry and
 21 the overall travel and tourism economy in the wake
 22 of the COVID–19 pandemic; and

23 “(2) that includes”; and

24 (3) in paragraph (2) (as so redesignated)—

25 (A) in subparagraph (A) (as so redesign-
 26 ated), by inserting “, including consideration

1 of the impacts of the COVID–19 pandemic”
2 after “network”;

3 (B) in subparagraph (D) (as so redesign-
4 nated), by inserting “of regional significance”
5 after “corridors”;

6 (C) in subparagraph (F) (as so redesign-
7 nated), by striking “and” at the end;

8 (D) in subparagraph (G) (as so redesign-
9 nated), by striking the period at the end and in-
10 serting “; and”; and

11 (E) by adding at the end the following:

12 “(H) an identification of possible infra-
13 structure investments that create recovery op-
14 portunities for small, underserved, minority,
15 and rural businesses in the travel and tourism
16 industry, including efforts to preserve and pro-
17 tect the scenic but often less-traveled roads that
18 promote tourism and economic development
19 throughout the country.”.

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