

## 117TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION H.R. 6164

To require the Federal Trade Commission to conduct a study on scams that target travelers during the COVID-19 pandemic, and for other purposes.

## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. Neguse introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

## 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 "Protecting Consumers
- 5 from Travel Fraud Act".
- 6 SEC. 2. FTC STUDY ON TRAVEL FRAUD.
- 7 (a) Study.—The Federal Trade Commission (in this
- 8 section referred to as the "Commission" shall conduct a
- 9 study, using the Commission's authority under section 6
- 10 of the Federal Trade Commission Act (15 U.S.C. 46), re-

- 1 garding scams that target travelers during the COVID-
- 2 19 pandemic.
- 3 (b) Report.—Not later than 45 days after the date
- 4 of enactment of this Act, the Commission shall submit to
- 5 Congress a report containing the results of the study con-
- 6 ducted under subsection (a), together with recommenda-
- 7 tions for such legislation and administrative action to pre-
- 8 vent and deter scams that target consumers, including on-
- 9 line travel booking scams, as the Commission determines
- 10 appropriate.
- 11 (c) Consumer Protection Information.—Not
- 12 later than 30 days after the date of the submission of the
- 13 report under subsection (b), the Commission shall update
- 14 the website of the Commission to include information for
- 15 consumers on avoiding scams that target travelers, includ-
- 16 ing scams that target travelers during the COVID-19
- 17 pandemic identified in the study conducted under sub-
- 18 section (a).

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