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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 23, 2021

Mr. KATKO (for himself, Mrs. MURPHY of Florida, Mr. GUEST, Mr. GIMENEZ, and Mr. HIGGINS of Louisiana) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Homeland Security

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## 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 “One-Stop Pilot Pro-  
5       gram Act of 2021”.

1 **SEC. 2. PILOT PROGRAM FOR ONE-STOP SECURITY.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding 44901(a) of title  
3 49, United States Code, the Administrator of the Trans-  
4 portation Security Administration, in coordination with  
5 U.S. Customs and Border Protection, is authorized to con-  
6 duct a pilot program at not more than ten foreign last  
7 point of departure airports to permit passengers and their  
8 accessible property arriving on direct flights or flight seg-  
9 ments originating at such participating foreign airports to  
10 continue on additional flights or flight segments origi-  
11 nating in the United States without additional security re-  
12 screening if—

13 (1) the initial screening was conducted in ac-  
14 cordance with an aviation security screening agree-  
15 ment described in subsection (c);

16 (2) passengers arriving from participating for-  
17 eign airports are unable to access their checked bag-  
18 gage prior to arrival at their final destination; and

19 (3) upon arrival in the United States, pas-  
20 sengers arriving from participating foreign airports  
21 do not come into contact with other arriving inter-  
22 national passengers or those passengers' property or  
23 other persons who have not been screened or sub-  
24 jected to other appropriate security controls required  
25 for entry into the airport's sterile area.

1       (b) RE-SCREENING OF CHECKED BAGGAGE.—The  
2 Administrator may determine whether, based on risk,  
3 checked baggage arriving from participating foreign air-  
4 ports referenced in subsection (a) must be re-screened in  
5 the United States by an explosives detection system before  
6 such baggage continues on any additional flight or flight  
7 segment.

8       (c) AVIATION SECURITY SCREENING AGREEMENT  
9 DESCRIBED.—An aviation security screening agreement  
10 described in this subsection is an agreement with a foreign  
11 country that delineates and implements security standards  
12 and protocols utilized at a foreign last point of departure  
13 airport that are determined by the Administrator to be  
14 comparable to those of the United States and therefore  
15 sufficiently effective to enable passengers and their acces-  
16 sible property to deplane into sterile areas of airports in  
17 the United States without the need for re-screening.

18       (d) RE-SCREENING REQUIREMENT.—If the Adminis-  
19 trator determines that the foreign country participating  
20 in the aviation security screening agreement has not main-  
21 tained and implemented security standards and protocols  
22 comparable to those of the United States at foreign last  
23 point of departure airports at which a pilot program has  
24 been established in accordance with this section, the Ad-  
25 ministrator shall ensure that passengers and their prop-

erty arriving from such airports are re-screened in the United States before such passengers and their property are permitted into sterile areas of airports in the United States.

(e) TERMINATION.—Each aviation security screening agreement shall—

(1) be executed no later than three years after the date of enactment of this section; and

(2) be in effect for up to four years from the date of execution.

(f) BRIEFINGS TO CONGRESS.—The Administrator shall brief the appropriate committees of Congress on—

(1) the substance of each aviation security screening agreement within 90 days after the agreement is executed; and

(2) the status of the pilot program annually until the expiration of the last aviation security screening agreement.

(g) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this section may be construed as limiting the authority of U.S. Customs and Border Protection to inspect persons and baggage arriving in the United States in accordance with applicable law.

(h) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

1           (1) ADMINISTRATION; TSA.—The terms “Ad-  
2           ministration” and “TSA” mean the Transportation  
3           Security Administration.

4           (2) ADMINISTRATOR.—The term “Adminis-  
5           trator” means the Administrator of the Transpor-  
6           tation Security Administration.

7           (3) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-  
8           TEES.—The term “appropriate congressional com-  
9           mittees” means—

10                   (A) the Committee on Homeland Security  
11                   of the House of Representatives; and

12                   (B) the Committee on Homeland Security  
13                   and Governmental Affairs and the Committee  
14                   on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of  
15                   the Senate.

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