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H. R. 3171

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. CURTIS (for himself and Mr. PAPPAS) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

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 “Taiwan Representative
5 Office Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. DESIGNATION OF AND REFERENCES TO TAIWAN**
2 **REPRESENTATIVE OFFICE.**

3 (a) STATEMENT OF POLICY.—It shall be the policy
4 of the United States, consistent with the Taiwan Relations
5 Act (22 U.S.C. 3301 et seq.) and the Six Assurances, to
6 provide the people of Taiwan with de facto diplomatic
7 treatment equivalent to foreign countries, nations, states,
8 governments, or similar entities, and, consistent with this
9 policy, to rename the “Taipei Economic and Cultural Rep-
10 resentative Office” in the United States as the “Taiwan
11 Representative Office”.

12 (b) RENAMING.—The Secretary of State shall seek
13 to enter into negotiations with the Taipei Economic and
14 Cultural Representative Office to rename its office in the
15 District of Columbia the “Taiwan Representative Office”.

16 (c) REFERENCES.—If the Taipei Economic and Cul-
17 tural Representative Office is designated as the Taiwan
18 Representative Office, any reference in a law, map, regula-
19 tion, document, paper, or other record of the United
20 States Government to the Taipei Economic and Cultural
21 Representative Office shall be deemed to be a reference
22 to the Taiwan Representative Office, including for all offi-
23 cial purposes of the Government of the United States, all
24 courts of the United States, and any proceedings therein.

25 (d) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this sec-
26 tion shall be construed as entailing restoration of diplo-

- 1 matic relations with the Republic of China (Taiwan) or
- 2 altering the position of the United States with respect to
- 3 the international status of Taiwan.

