

114TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

# S. 2547

To increase the maximum penalty for unfair and deceptive practices relating to advertising of the costs of air transportation.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

FEBRUARY 11, 2016

Mr. MENENDEZ introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

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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 “Real Transparency in  
5 Airfares Act of 2016”.

6 **SEC. 2. INCREASED PENALTIES FOR UNFAIR AND DECEP-**  
7 **TIVE AIRFARE ADVERTISING PRACTICES.**

8 Section 46301(a) of title 49, United States Code, is  
9 amended by adding at the end the following:

1           “(7) PENALTY FOR VIOLATIONS OF UNFAIR AND DE-  
2 CEPTIVE AIRFARE ADVERTISING PRACTICES.—Notwith-  
3 standing paragraph (1), the maximum civil penalty as-  
4 sessed on a person for an unfair or deceptive practice in  
5 violation of section 41712 and described in section 399.84  
6 of title 14, Code of Federal Regulations (or any cor-  
7 responding similar regulation or ruling), shall be—  
8           “(A) \$55,000; or  
9           “(B) if the person is an individual or small  
10       business concern, \$2,500.”.

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