

**AMENDMENT TO**  
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Add at the end of title VI of division K the following  
new section:

1 **SEC. 106005. SENSE OF CONGRESS ON TRADE POLICY IN**  
2 **THE ASIA-PACIFIC REGION.**

3 It is the sense of Congress that—

4 (1) the trade policy of the United States in the  
5 Asia-Pacific region should benefit the workers and  
6 consumers of the United States, enhance the ability  
7 of businesses of the United States to compete in the  
8 marketplace for goods and services, empower allies  
9 and partners of the United States in the region,  
10 counter the often-malign influence and impact of  
11 China, protect the environment, and advance the  
12 broader economic and national security goals of the  
13 United States;

14 (2) the Asia-Pacific region is arguably the most  
15 economically dynamic region in the world and is  
16 strategically vital to the United States;

17 (3) the Asia-Pacific region is home to China,  
18 one of the geopolitical rivals of the United States,

1       whose interests and values diverge sharply from  
2       those of the United States;

3               (4) the United States and China are competing  
4       across virtually every functional and geographic do-  
5       main;

6               (5) China's trade and investment practices have  
7       violated international rules and fundamental prin-  
8       ciples of fairness, causing harm to the workers and  
9       businesses of the United States;

10              (6) the Asia-Pacific region is also home to some  
11       of the closest allies and partners of the United  
12       States, including a number of the fastest-growing  
13       markets in the world;

14              (7) any successful effort to strengthen the do-  
15       mestic economy, and to ensure that companies of the  
16       United States can compete on a level playing field  
17       against their Chinese counterparts, will require the  
18       United States to exercise leadership and fortify rela-  
19       tionships in the Asia-Pacific region; and

20              (8) key elements of this effort should be to as-  
21       sess the geostrategic and economic consequences of  
22       the decision by the United States in 2017 to with-  
23       draw from the 12-country Trans-Pacific Partnership  
24       (TPP) without any meaningful debate in Congress,  
25       and to assess the potential geostrategic and eco-

1        nomic benefits of reviving membership by the United  
2        States in the Comprehensive and Progressive Agree-  
3        ment for Trans-Pacific Partnership, which the 11  
4        TPP countries signed following the withdrawal of  
5        the United States from TPP.

