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S. 1265

To provide the United States District Court for the District of Columbia with original and exclusive jurisdiction over civil actions with a nationwide effect.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 25, 2023

Ms. HIRONO introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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 “Stop Judge Shopping
5 Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. JURISDICTION OVER CERTAIN ACTIONS WITH NA-**
7 **TIONWIDE EFFECT.**

8 The United States District Court for the District of
9 Columbia shall have original and exclusive jurisdiction

1 over any civil action for declaratory or injunctive relief (in-
2 cluding a nationwide injunction, stay, vacatur, or any
3 other relief with similar nationwide force and effect)
4 against the enforcement of any Federal law (including reg-
5 ulations and Executive orders) if the relief extends beyond
6 the parties to the civil action.

7 **SEC. 3. RULES OF CONSTRUCTION.**

8 Nothing in this Act may be construed to—

9 (1) affect any action that may be brought in
10 the Supreme Court of the United States, a court of
11 appeals of the United States, or the Court of Inter-
12 national Trade;

13 (2) create a private right of action; or

14 (3) expand liability otherwise imposed, or limit
15 any defense otherwise available, under Federal or
16 State law.

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