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S. 994

To amend title 23, United States Code, to protect States that have in effect laws or orders with respect to pay-to-play reform, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 12, 2011

Mr. KIRK (for himself, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. LAUTENBERG, and Mr. DURBIN) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works

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 “State Ethics Law Pro-
5 tection Act of 2011”.

6 **SEC. 2. PAY-TO-PLAY REFORM.**

7 Section 112 of title 23, United States Code, is
8 amended by adding at the end the following:

1 “(h) PAY-TO-PLAY REFORM.—A State transportation
2 department shall not be considered to have violated a re-
3 quirement of this section solely because the State in which
4 that State transportation department is located, or a local
5 government within that State, has in effect a law or an
6 order that limits the amount of money an individual or
7 entity that is doing business with a State or local agency
8 with respect to a Federal-aid highway project may con-
9 tribute to a political party, campaign, candidate, or elected
10 official.”.

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