

**AMENDMENT IN THE  
NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE TO H.R. 4653  
OFFERED BY MR. SMITH OF NEW JERSEY**

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

**1 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2       This Act may be cited as the “United States Commis-  
3 sion on International Religious Freedom Reauthorization  
4 Act of 2014”.

**5 SEC. 2. ESTABLISHMENT AND COMPOSITION.**

6       (a) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (a) of section 201 of  
7 the International Religious Freedom Act of 1998 (22  
8 U.S.C. 6431) is amended by inserting before the period  
9 at the end the following: “, which shall be an independent  
10 Federal Government advisory body”.

11       (b) SELECTION.—Subparagraph (A) of section  
12 201(b)(2) of the International Religious Freedom Act of  
13 1998 (22 U.S.C. 6431(b)(2)) is amended by inserting at  
14 the end the following new sentence: “The Commission as  
15 a whole shall also have expertise on the variety of faiths  
16 practiced around the world.”.

17       (c) MEMBERSHIP.—Subsection (b)(3) of section 201  
18 of the International Religious Freedom Act of 1998 (22

1 U.S.C. 6431) is amended by striking “The appointments  
2 required by paragraph (1) shall be made not later than  
3 120 days after the date of the enactment of this Act.”  
4 and inserting the following: “An appointment required by  
5 subparagraph (B) of paragraph (1) should be made within  
6 90 days of a vacancy on the Commission.”.

7 (d) VACANCIES.—Subsection (g) of section 201 of the  
8 International Religious Freedom Act of 1998 (22 U.S.C.  
9 6431) is amended by striking the second sentence.

10 **SEC. 3. TRAINING FOR FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICERS.**

11 Subsection (a) of section 708 of the Foreign Service  
12 Act of 1980 (22 U.S.C. 4028) is amended—

13 (1) in the matter preceding paragraph (1),

14 (A) by striking “and the director” and in-  
15 serting “the director”; and

16 (B) inserting “and members of the United  
17 States Commission on International Religious  
18 Freedom,” after “Training Center,”; and

19 (2) in paragraph (2)—

20 (A) by striking “and the various” and in-  
21 serting “the various”; and

22 (B) by inserting “, the relationship be-  
23 tween religious freedom and security, and the  
24 role of religious freedom in United States for-

1           eign policy” after “violations of religious free-  
2           dom”.

3 **SEC. 4. COMMISSION PERSONNEL MATTERS.**

4           (a) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (a) of section 204 of  
5 the International Religious Freedom Act of 1998 (22  
6 U.S.C. 6432b) is amended in the second sentence, by in-  
7 serting “voting” after “nine”.

8           (b) COMPENSATION.—Subsection (b) of section 204  
9 of the International Religious Freedom Act of 1998 (22  
10 U.S.C. 6432b) is amended by inserting “voting members  
11 of the” after “The”.

12           (c) SECURITY CLEARANCES.—Subsection (e) of sec-  
13 tion 204 of the International Religious Freedom Act of  
14 1998 (22 U.S.C. 6432b) is amended by adding at the end  
15 the following new sentence: “The Department of State is  
16 encouraged to allow Commissioners and Commission staff  
17 with the appropriate security clearance access to classified  
18 information, in order to fulfill the duties and responsibil-  
19 ities of their positions.”.

20 **SEC. 5. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

21           Subsection (a) of section 207 of the International Re-  
22 ligious Freedom Act of 1998 (22 U.S.C. 6435) is amended  
23 by striking “2014” and inserting “2019”.

1 **SEC. 6. STANDARDS OF CONDUCT AND DISCLOSURE.**

2 Paragraph (2) of section 208(d)(2) of the Inter-  
3 national Religious Freedom Act of 1998 (22 U.S.C.  
4 6435a(d)(2)) is amended by adding at the end the fol-  
5 lowing new subparagraph:

6 “(H) Intern, fellowship, and volunteer pro-  
7 grams that are primarily of educational benefit  
8 to the intern, fellow, or volunteer. Sponsoring  
9 private parties may provide compensation and  
10 benefits to interns, fellows, and volunteers, pro-  
11 vided that no conflict of interest arises. The  
12 number, duration, and funding source of any  
13 such internship, fellowship, or volunteer pro-  
14 grams shall be described in the annual financial  
15 report required by subsection (e).”.

16 **SEC. 7. TERMINATION.**

17 Section 209 of the International Religious Freedom  
18 Act of 1998 (22 U.S.C. 6436) is amended by striking  
19 “September 30, 2014” and inserting “September 30,  
20 2019”.

