

**AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE
TO H.R. 1911
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 “Special Envoy to Mon-
3 itor and Combat Anti-Semitism Act of 2018”.

4 SEC. 2. FINDING.

5 Congress finds that since the Global Anti-Semitism
6 Review Act of 2004 was enacted, in many foreign coun-
7 tries acts of anti-Semitism have been frequent and wide
8 in scope, the perpetrators and variety of threats to Jewish
9 communities and their institutions have proliferated, and
10 in some countries anti-Semitic attacks have increased in
11 frequency, scope, violence, and deadliness.

12 SEC. 3. MONITORING AND COMBATING ANTI-SEMITISM.

13 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (a) of section 59 of the
14 State Department Basic Authorities Act of 1956 (22
15 U.S.C. 2731) is amended—

16 (1) in paragraph (2)—

17 (A) in subparagraph (A)—

1 (i) by inserting before the period at
2 the end the following: “, who shall be ap-
3 pointed by the President, by and with the
4 advice and consent of the Senate”; and

5 (ii) by adding at the end the following
6 new sentence: “The Special Envoy shall re-
7 port directly to the Secretary.”; and

8 (B) in subparagraph (B)—

9 (i) in the heading, but striking “AP-
10 POINTMENT” and inserting “NOMINA-
11 TION”;

12 (ii) by striking the first sentence;

13 (iii) in the second sentence, by strik-
14 ing “If the Secretary determines that such
15 is appropriate, the Secretary may appoint”
16 and inserting “If the President determines
17 that such is appropriate, the President
18 may nominate”; and

19 (iv) in the third sentence, by striking
20 “The Secretary may allow such officer or
21 employee to retain the position (and the
22 responsibilities associated with such posi-
23 tion) held by such officer or employee prior
24 to the appointment” and inserting “Such
25 officer or employee may not retain the po-

1 sition (or the responsibilities associated
2 with such position) held by such officer or
3 employee prior to the nomination”; and

4 (2) by adding at the end the following new
5 paragraphs:

6 “(3) DUTIES.—The Special Envoy shall serve
7 as the primary advisor to, and coordinate efforts
8 across, the United States Government relating to
9 monitoring and combating anti-Semitism and anti-
10 Semitic incitement that occur in foreign countries.

11 “(4) RANK AND STATUS OF AMBASSADOR.—
12 The Special Envoy shall have the rank of ambas-
13 sador.

14 “(5) QUALIFICATIONS.—The Special Envoy
15 should be a person of recognized distinction in the
16 field of—

17 “(A) combating anti-Semitism;

18 “(B) religious freedom; or

19 “(C) law enforcement.”.

20 (b) NOMINATION.—Not later than 90 days after the
21 date of the enactment of this Act, and not later than 120
22 after any such position becomes vacant, the President
23 shall nominate the Special Envoy for Monitoring and
24 Combating anti-Semitism under section 59 of the State

- 1 Department Basic Authorities Act of 1956, as amended
- 2 by subsection (a) of this section.

