AMENDMENT NO. ________ Calendar No. ________

Purpose: To amend section 2334(e) of title 18, United States Code, relating to consent to personal jurisdiction in a civil action under section 2333 of such title.


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To promote security and provide justice for United States victims of international terrorism.

Referred to the Committee on _________________ and ordered to be printed

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AMENDMENTS intended to be proposed by Mr. COONS (for himself and Mr. GRASSLEY)

Viz:

On page 5, strike lines 7 through 26 and insert the following:

(1) in paragraph (1), by striking subparagraphs (A) and (B) and inserting the following:

“(A) after the date that is 120 days after the date of the enactment of the Promoting Security and Justice for Victims of Terrorism Act of 2019, makes any payment, directly or indirectly—

“(i) to any payee designated by any individual who, after being fairly tried or
pleading guilty, has been imprisoned for committing any act of terrorism that injured or killed a national of the United States, if such payment is made by reason of such imprisonment; or

“(ii) to any family member of any individual, following such individual’s death while committing an act of terrorism that injured or killed a national of the United States, if such payment is made by reason of the death of such individual; or

On page 7, strike line 13, and all that follows through “(4)” on line 22, and insert the following:

(2) in paragraph (2), by adding at the end the following: “For purposes of paragraph (1)(A), no court may consider the receipt of any assistance by a nongovernmental organization, whether direct or indirect, as a basis for consent to jurisdiction by a defendant.”; and

(3) by adding at the end the following:

“(3)

Beginning on page 9, strike line 5 and all that follows through “(6)” on page 10, line 13, and insert “(4)”. 
Beginning on page 10, strike line 21 and all that follows through page 12, line 8, and insert the following:

“(5) DEFINED TERM.—In this subsection, the term ‘defendant’ means—

“(A) the Palestinian Authority;

“(B) the Palestine Liberation Organization;

“(C) any organization or other entity that is a successor to or affiliated with the Palestinian Authority or the Palestine Liberation Organization; or

“(D) any organization or other entity that—

“(i) is identified in subparagraph (A), (B), or (C); and

“(ii) self identifies as, holds itself out to be, or carries out conduct in the name of, the ‘State of Palestine’ or ‘Palestine’ in connection with official business of the United Nations.”.