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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JUNE 13, 2003

Mr. MCCAIN (for himself and Mr. BROWNBACK) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

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 “Commercial Space
5 Transportation Act of 2003”.

6 **SEC. 2. OFFICE OF COMMERCIAL SPACE TRANSPORTATION.**

7 Section 70119 of title 49, United States Code, is
8 amended—

- 1 (1) by striking “and” in paragraph (1);
2 (2) by striking “2002.” in paragraph (2) and
3 inserting “2002;”; and
4 (3) by adding at the end the following:
5 “(3) \$12,601,000 for fiscal year 2004;
6 “(4) \$12,979,000 for fiscal year 2005;
7 “(5) \$13,368,000 for fiscal year 2006;
8 “(6) \$13,769,000 for fiscal year 2007; and
9 “(7) \$14,183,000 for fiscal year 2008.”.

10 **SEC. 3. COMMERCIAL SPACE TRANSPORTATION INDEM-**
11 **NIFICATION EXTENSION.**

12 Section 70113(f) of title 49, United States Code, is
13 amended by striking “December 31, 2004.” and inserting
14 “December 31, 2009.”.

15 **SEC. 4. SUBORBITAL VEHICLE REGULATIONS.**

16 Not later than 6 months after the date of enactment
17 of this Act, the Secretary of Transportation shall submit
18 to Congress a report on the need for a distinct regulatory
19 regime for suborbital vehicles taking into account the
20 unique characteristics and purposes of these vehicles.

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