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A bill to require background checks of alien flight school applicants without regard to the maximum certificated weight of the aircraft for which they seek training, and to require a report on the effectiveness of the requirement.

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Sponsor

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Sen. Corzine, Jon S. [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Jan 29, 2003
Sen. Enzi, Michael B. [R-WY]	R · WY		Jan 29, 2003
Sen. Feinstein, Dianne [D-CA]	D · CA		Jan 29, 2003
Sen. Thomas, Craig [R-WY]	R · WY		Jan 29, 2003

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jan 29, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Transportation and Public Works

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jan 29, 2003)

Amends Federal aviation law to require a background check of alien flight school applicants without regard to the maximum certificated weight of the aircraft for which they seek training. (Currently, a background check is required for aircraft with a maximum certificated takeoff weight of 12,500 pounds or more.) Exempts from such requirement any alien who: (1) has earned a Federal Aviation Administration type rating in an aircraft; or (2) holds a current pilot's license that allows the person to fly an aircraft with a maximum certificated takeoff weight of more than 12,500 pounds.

Requires the Secretary of Transportation and the Attorney General to report jointly to specified congressional committees on the effectiveness of the background check requirement.

Actions Timeline

- **May 8, 2003:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S5934-5935)
- **Jan 29, 2003:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jan 29, 2003:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S1740)
- **Jan 29, 2003:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. (text of measure as introduced: CR S1740)