

HR 831

To direct the Comptroller General to conduct a study of the legal requirements and policies followed by the Department of Transportation in deciding whether to approve international alliances between air carriers and foreign air carriers and grant exemptions from the antitrust laws in connection with such international alliances, and for other purposes.

Congress: 111 (2009–2011, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Transportation and Public Works

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Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Courts and Competition Policy.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Courts and Competition Policy. (Jul 23, 2009)

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Sponsor

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Party: Democratic • **State:** MN • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Jul 23, 2009
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 4, 2009

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Transportation and Public Works

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Feb 3, 2009)

Directs the Comptroller General to study legal requirements and policies followed by the Department of Transportation in deciding whether to: (1) approve cooperative agreements between an air carrier and a foreign air carrier (international alliances) to provide foreign air transportation; and (2) exempt such alliances from the U.S. antitrust laws.

Requires: (1) the Comptroller General to report to the Secretary and Congress study results, including any recommendations for authority or policy changes with respect to approving such alliances and granting such exemptions; and (2) the Secretary to issue a determination, after public comment, whether such changes will be adopted.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 23, 2009:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Courts and Competition Policy.
- **Feb 4, 2009:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Aviation.
- **Feb 3, 2009:** Introduced in House
- **Feb 3, 2009:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E190-191)
- **Feb 3, 2009:** Referred to House Transportation and Infrastructure
- **Feb 3, 2009:** Referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.
- **Feb 3, 2009:** Referred to House Judiciary