

HR 2553

Airport and Airway Extension Act of 2011, Part IV

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Taxation

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Sponsor

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Party: Republican • **State:** FL • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Camp, Dave [R-MI-4]	R · MI		Jul 15, 2011
Rep. Petri, Thomas E. [R-WI-6]	R · WI		Jul 15, 2011

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred to	Jul 18, 2011
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	Jul 15, 2011

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
112 HR 2644	Related bill	Jul 27, 2011: Referred to the Subcommittee on Aviation.
112 S 1387	Related bill	Jul 21, 2011: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S4775-4776)
112 HRES 357	Procedurally related	Jul 20, 2011: On agreeing to the resolution Agreed to by recorded vote: 242 - 178 (Roll no. 609). (text: CR H5251)
112 HR 2279	Related bill	Jun 29, 2011: Became Public Law No: 112-21.
112 HR 1893	Related bill	May 31, 2011: Became Public Law No: 112-16.
112 HR 1079	Related bill	Mar 31, 2011: Became Public Law No: 112-7.
112 HR 1034	Related bill	Mar 29, 2011: Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 22.
112 S 340	Related bill	Feb 14, 2011: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 10.

(This measure has not been amended since it was introduced. The expanded summary of the House passed version is repeated here.)

Airport and Airway Extension Act of 2011, Part IV - (Sec. 2) Amends the Internal Revenue Code to extend through September 16, 2011, increased excise taxes on aviation fuels, the excise tax on air transportation of persons and property, and the expenditure authority for the Airport and Airway Trust Fund.

(Sec. 4) Increases the authorization of appropriations for the period beginning on October 1, 2010, and ending on September 16, 2011, for airport planning and development and noise compatibility planning projects (known as airport improvement projects [AIPs]). Extends through September 16, 2011, the authority of the Secretary of Transportation to make new AIP grants.

(Sec. 5) Extends until September 17, 2011: (1) the pilot program for passenger facility fee authorizations at non-hub airports, and (2) disclosure requirements for large and medium hub airports applying for AIP grants.

Directs the Secretary to extend through September 16, 2011, the termination date of insurance coverage for domestic or foreign-flag aircraft. Grants the Secretary discretionary authority to further extend such coverage through December 31, 2011. Extends through December 31, 2011, the authority of the Secretary to limit air carrier liability for claims arising out of acts of terrorism.

Extends through September 16, 2011: (1) grant eligibility for airports located in the Marshall Islands, Micronesia, and Palau; (2) grants to state and local governments for land use compatibility AIPs; and (3) authority for approving an application of the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority for an airport development grant or for permission to impose a passenger facility fee.

Amends the Vision 100 - Century of Aviation Reauthorization Act to extend through September 16, 2011: (1) the temporary increase to 95% of the federal government's share of certain AIP costs, and (2) funding for airport development at Midway Island Airport.

(Sec. 6) Revises essential air service (EAS) program eligibility requirements to limit such service to airports (except those in Alaska) that: (1) are located at least 90 miles from the nearest medium or large hub airport, and (2) had an average subsidy per passenger of less than \$1,000. Authorizes the Secretary of Transportation to waive such requirements for a particular location if its geographic characteristics result in undue difficulty in accessing the nearest medium or large hub airport.

Actions Timeline

- **Aug 5, 2011:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent.(consideration: CR S5297)
- **Aug 5, 2011:** Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent. (consideration: CR S5297)
- **Aug 5, 2011:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Aug 5, 2011:** Presented to President.
- **Aug 5, 2011:** Signed by President.
- **Aug 5, 2011:** Became Public Law No: 112-27.
- **Jul 22, 2011:** Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 109.
- **Jul 21, 2011:** Read the first time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under Read the First Time.
- **Jul 20, 2011:** Rule H. Res. 357 passed House.
- **Jul 20, 2011:** Considered under the provisions of rule H. Res. 357. (consideration: CR H5257-5266)
- **Jul 20, 2011:** Rule provides for consideration of H.R. 2553 with 1 hour of general debate. Previous question shall be considered as ordered without intervening motions except motion to recommit. Measure will be considered read. Bill is closed to amendments.
- **Jul 20, 2011:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with one hour of debate on H.R. 2553.
- **Jul 20, 2011:** The previous question was ordered pursuant to the rule. (consideration: CR H5264)
- **Jul 20, 2011:** Mr. Rahall moved to recommit with instructions to Transportation. (consideration: CR H5264-5265; text: CR H5264)
- **Jul 20, 2011:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with 10 minutes of debate on the Rahall motion to recommit with instructions, pending reservation of a point of order. The instructions contained in the motion seek to require the bill to be reported back to the House with an amendment to prohibit air carriers from charging a fee for four or fewer items of baggage checked by a member of the Armed Forces who is traveling in scheduled air transportation on official military duty. Subsequently, the reservation of a point of order was withdrawn.
- **Jul 20, 2011:** On motion to recommit with instructions Failed by the Yeas and Nays: 187 - 233 (Roll no. 610).
- **Jul 20, 2011:** Passed/agreed to in House: On passage Passed by recorded vote: 243 - 177 (Roll no. 611).(text: CR H5257)
- **Jul 20, 2011:** On passage Passed by recorded vote: 243 - 177 (Roll no. 611). (text: CR H5257)
- **Jul 20, 2011:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Jul 20, 2011:** Received in the Senate.
- **Jul 19, 2011:** Rules Committee Resolution H. Res. 357 Reported to House. Rule provides for consideration of H.R. 2553 with 1 hour of general debate. Previous question shall be considered as ordered without intervening motions except motion to recommit. Measure will be considered read. Bill is closed to amendments.
- **Jul 18, 2011:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Aviation.
- **Jul 15, 2011:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 15, 2011:** Referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, 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.