

HR 5291

Airline Consumer Protection Act of 2016

Congress: 114 (2015–2017, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Transportation and Public Works

Introduced: May 19, 2016

Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Aviation.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Aviation. (May 20, 2016)

Official Text: https://www.congress.gov/bill/114th-congress/house-bill/5291

Sponsor

Name: Rep. Thompson, Mike [D-CA-5]

Party: Democratic • State: CA • Chamber: House

Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Cohen, Steve [D-TN-9]	D · TN		Jun 7, 2016
Rep. Lipinski, Daniel [D-IL-3]	D · IL		Jun 7, 2016

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred to	May 20, 2016

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Transportation and Public Works

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 S 2658	Related bill	Dec 20, 2016: By Senator Thune from Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation filed written report under authority of the order of the Senate of 12/10/2016. Report No. 114-428. Additional views filed.
114 S 2769	Related bill	Apr 7, 2016: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

Airline Consumer Protection Act of 2016

This bill prescribes certain consumer protection requirements for air passengers with respect to:

- airline delays or cancellations,
- whether changes to passenger itineraries are unfair or deceptive practices,
- refunds for delayed checked baggage,
- disclosure of checked baggage fees,
- seat assignments,
- filing of consumer complaints with the Aviation Consumer Protection Division of the Department of Transportation (DOT), and
- online and mobile access to aviation consumer protection information.

The FAA Modernization and Reform Act of 2012 is amended to extend through FY2017 DOT's Advisory Committee for Aviation Consumer Protection.

DOT shall establish an advisory committee for the air travel needs of passengers with disabilities.

The Federal Aviation Administration shall prohibit air carriers from reducing the seat size on its aircraft.

Actions Timeline

- **May 20, 2016:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Aviation.
- **May 19, 2016:** Introduced in House
- **May 19, 2016:** Referred to the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.