

## HR 2879

FLIGHT Act of 2017

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Transportation and Public Works

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**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Aviation.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Aviation. (Jun 13, 2017)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Graves, Sam [R-MO-6]

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

### Cosponsors (6 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Bustos, Cheri [D-IL-17]	D · IL		Jun 12, 2017
Rep. Esty, Elizabeth H. [D-CT-5]	D · CT		Jun 21, 2017
Rep. Titus, Dina [D-NV-1]	D · NV		Jun 22, 2017
Rep. Brownley, Julia [D-CA-26]	D · CA		Jun 23, 2017
Rep. Huffman, Jared [D-CA-2]	D · CA		Jun 23, 2017
Rep. Rokita, Todd [R-IN-4]	R · IN		Jun 26, 2017

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 13, 2017
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	Jun 12, 2017

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Transportation and Public Works

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 S 1405	Related bill	<b>May 9, 2018:</b> Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 407.
115 S 1320	Related bill	<b>Jun 8, 2017:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

## **Forward Looking Investment in General Aviation, Hangars, and Tarmacs Act of 2017 or the FLIGHT Act of 2017**

This bill revises general aviation apportionments by: (1) providing at least 4% of entitlement funding to airports designated as disaster relief airports, (2) increasing the period of availability of apportioned funds, (3) increasing the federal government's share of project costs for certain airports to 95%, and (4) allowing the use of non apportioned funds for general aviation airport grants.

DOT shall: (1) implement an expedited and coordinated environmental review process for general aviation airport construction or improvement projects; and (2) establish a public-private partnership program for building or improving hangars, businesses, or other facilities at general aviation airports and privately owned airports for public use that do not have scheduled air service.

The bill requires DOT to designate certain airports as disaster relief airports, including regional reliever airports, airports within a reasonable distance of a hospital or transplant or trauma center, or airports in a region prone to natural disasters.

The bill treats the construction of certain aircraft used exclusively for recreational purposes as an "aeronautical activity" for purposes of airport improvement grants.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Jun 13, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Aviation.
- **Jun 12, 2017:** Introduced in House
- **Jun 12, 2017:** 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.