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21st Century AIRR Act

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 23, 2017

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Transportation and Public Works

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 S 3183	Related bill	Jul 9, 2018: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
115 S 2348	Related bill	Jan 25, 2018: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
115 HR 4445	Related bill	Nov 17, 2017: Referred to the Subcommittee on Aviation.
115 S 1450	Related bill	Jun 28, 2017: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
115 HR 3062	Related bill	Jun 27, 2017: Referred to the Subcommittee on Aviation.
115 HR 3007	Related bill	Jun 23, 2017: Referred to the Subcommittee on Aviation.
115 S 1424	Related bill	Jun 22, 2017: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
115 HR 2962	Related bill	Jun 21, 2017: Referred to the Subcommittee on Aviation.
115 HR 2928	Related bill	Jun 16, 2017: Referred to the Subcommittee on Aviation.
115 HR 2485	Related bill	May 18, 2017: Referred to the Subcommittee on Aviation.
115 S 1167	Related bill	May 17, 2017: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
115 HR 2375	Related bill	May 5, 2017: Referred to the Subcommittee on Aviation.
115 HR 2150	Related bill	Apr 27, 2017: Referred to the Subcommittee on Aviation.
115 HR 1386	Related bill	Mar 8, 2017: Referred to the Subcommittee on Aviation.
115 HR 276	Related bill	Feb 1, 2017: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

21st Century Aviation Innovation, Reform, and Reauthorization Act or the 21st Century AIRR Act

This bill reauthorizes and modifies Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) programs. It also establishes the American Air Navigation Services Corporation as a federally chartered, not-for-profit corporation to assume operational control of FAA air traffic services on October 1, 2020.

The bill revises requirements for the pilot program for passenger facility charges at nonhub airports and the airport improvement program.

The bill extends the authorization for airport development at Midway Island Airport.

The Department of Transportation (DOT):

- shall carry out an environmental mitigation pilot grant program for sponsors of public-use airports; and
- may make grants to such sponsors for environmental mitigation projects to reduce or mitigate aviation impacts on noise, air quality, or water quality at the airport or within five miles of the airport.

DOT shall establish a Safety Oversight and Certification Advisory Committee.

The FAA must establish:

- the FAA Task Force on Flight Standards Reform,
- a Regulatory Consistency Communications Board,
- a safety workforce training strategy, and
- minimum dimensions for passenger seats on aircraft operated by air carriers.

The FAA must also issue an order requiring the installation of a secondary cockpit barrier on aircraft manufactured for delivery to a passenger air carrier in the United States.

DOT shall take appropriate actions to promote U.S. aerospace standards, products, and services abroad.

DOT shall modify regulations regarding flight duty limitations and rest requirements to ensure that: (1) a flight attendant scheduled for a duty period of 14 hours or less is given a scheduled rest period of at least 10 consecutive hours, and (2) the rest period is not reduced under any circumstances.

The bill prescribes certain requirements for improving passenger air service.

The bill also reauthorizes the essential air service program and the small community air service development program.

DOT shall:

- develop a comprehensive plan to accelerate the integration of civil unmanned aircraft systems (drones) into the national airspace system,
- establish a regional air transportation pilot program to provide operating assistance and grants to provide and maintain air service to communities not receiving sufficient air service,
- require each air carrier to submit for approval a one-page document that accurately describes the rights of passengers in air transportation,

- require large ticket agents to adopt minimum customer service standards, and
- establish a remote air traffic control tower pilot program for rural or small communities.

Each air carrier must submit to the FAA an Employee Assault Prevention and Response Plan related to the customer service agents of the air carrier.

The FAA shall review its strategic aviation cybersecurity plan.

Actions Timeline

- **Sep 6, 2017:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. H. Rept. 115-296.
- **Sep 6, 2017:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 213.
- **Jun 27, 2017:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Jun 27, 2017:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by the Yeas and Nays: 32 - 25.
- **Jun 23, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Aviation.
- **Jun 22, 2017:** Introduced in House
- **Jun 22, 2017:** Referred to the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

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