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To direct the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration to take certain actions to improve airline security, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. TRAFICANT introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

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## A BILL

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1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3       **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4       This Act may be cited as the “Flight Deck and Air-  
5       craft Integrity Enhancement Act of 2001”.

6       **SEC. 2. IMPROVED FLIGHT DECK INTEGRITY MEASURES.**

7       (a) IN GENERAL.—As soon as possible after the date  
8       of enactment of this Act, the Administrator of the Federal  
9       Aviation Administration shall issue an order (without re-

1 gard to the provisions of chapter 5 of title 5, United States  
2 Code)—

3 (1) prohibiting access to the flight deck of com-  
4 mercial aircraft engaged in interstate or intrastate  
5 transportation while the aircraft is so engaged by  
6 any person other than a member of the flight deck  
7 crew;

8 (2) requiring the strengthening of the flight  
9 deck door and locks on any such aircraft operating  
10 under part 121 of title 14, Code of Federal Regula-  
11 tions, that has a door in a bulkhead between the  
12 flight deck and the passenger area to prevent them  
13 from being forced open from inside the aircraft;

14 (3) requiring that such flight deck doors be  
15 locked by airport security personnel and remain  
16 locked while any such aircraft is in flight except  
17 when the pilot orders that the door be opened;

18 (4) prohibiting the possession of a key to any  
19 such flight deck door by any member of the flight  
20 crew who is not assigned to the flight deck;

21 (5) requiring that the passenger area be  
22 equipped with video surveillance equipment and be  
23 subject to video surveillance that is displayed to the  
24 pilot in real time on a monitor on the flight deck;

1           (6) authorizing the pilot and copilot to each  
2       carry a handgun (as defined in section 921(a) of  
3       title 18, United States Code) after training in the  
4       use of such handgun by the United States Marshals  
5       Service; and

6           (7) prohibiting an air carrier from refusing to  
7       hire, discharging, or otherwise discriminating  
8       against any pilot or copilot, with respect to com-  
9       pensation, terms, conditions, or privileges of employ-  
10      ment, who chooses not to carry a handgun under  
11      paragraph (6).

12       (b) COMMUTER AIRCRAFT.—The Administrator shall  
13      investigate means of securing the flight deck of aircraft  
14      operating under the authority of part 135 of title 14, Code  
15      of Federal Regulations, that are engaged in interstate or  
16      intrastate air transportation that do not have a fixed door  
17      with a lock between the passenger compartment and the  
18      flight deck and issue such an order as the Secretary deems  
19      appropriate (without regard to the provisions of chapter  
20      5 of title 5, United States Code) to ensure the inacces-  
21      sibility, to the greatest extent feasible, of the flight deck  
22      while the aircraft is so engaged.

23       (c) LIMITATION ON LIABILITY.—A pilot or copilot  
24      who chooses not to carry a handgun under subsection

- 1 (a)(6) shall not be liable in any action for failing to carry
- 2 a handgun under subsection (a)(6).

