To require the Secretary of Homeland Security to develop and implement standards for the operation of non-scheduled, commercial air carrier (air charter) and general aviation operations at Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Reopen Reagan National to General Aviation Act”.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

FEBRUARY 17, 2005

Mr. ALLEN introduced the following bill, which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation
SEC. 2. AIR CHARTER OPERATIONS AT RONALD REAGAN WASHINGTON NATIONAL AIRPORT.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Homeland Security, in consultation with the Secretary of Transportation, shall finalize and implement regulations permitting the resumption of non-scheduled, commercial air carrier (air charter) and general aviation operations at Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport. The regulations may provide reasonable requirements to ensure the security of operations at the airport. Such requirements may include—

(1) screening and certification of air charter and general aviation flight and ground crews;

(2) advance clearance of passenger manifests by the Transportation Security Administration;

(3) physical screening of passengers and luggage for air charter and general aviation operations;

(4) physical inspection of aircraft;

(5) compliance with established special flight procedures; and

(6) limiting the airports from which flights into Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport can originate.