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# S. 1008

To prohibit the Secretary of Homeland Security from implementing proposed policy changes that would permit passengers to carry small, non-locking knives on aircraft.

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 22, 2013

Mr. SCHUMER (for himself, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. MENENDEZ, and Ms. MURKOWSKI) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

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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 “Keep Knives Out of  
5 Our Skies Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION ON IMPLEMENTATION OF POLICY**  
2 **CHANGE TO PERMIT SMALL, NON-LOCKING**  
3 **KNIVES ON AIRCRAFT.**

4 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Notwithstanding any other provi-  
5 sion of law, on and after the date of the enactment of  
6 this Act, the Secretary of Homeland Security may not im-  
7 plement any change to the prohibited items list of the  
8 Transportation Security Administration that would permit  
9 passengers to carry small, non-locking knives through pas-  
10 senger screening checkpoints at airports, into sterile areas  
11 at airports, or on board passenger aircraft.

12 (b) **PROHIBITED ITEMS LIST DEFINED.**—In this sec-  
13 tion, the term “prohibited items list” means the list of  
14 items passengers are prohibited from carrying as acces-  
15 sible property or on their persons through passenger  
16 screening checkpoints at airports, into sterile areas at air-  
17 ports, and on board passenger aircraft pursuant to section  
18 1540.111 of title 49, Code of Federal Regulations (as in  
19 effect on January 1, 2013).

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