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# H. R. 2509

To direct the Secretary of Transportation to submit a report on helicopter and rotorcraft noise in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 6, 2023

Ms. NORTON 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. RECOMMENDATIONS ON REDUCING HELI-**  
4 **COPTER NOISE IN THE DISTRICT OF COLUM-**  
5 **BIA.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the  
7 date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Transpor-  
8 tation, in consultation with all relevant operators and enti-  
9 ties, shall submit to the Committee on Transportation and  
10 Infrastructure of the House of Representatives and the

1 Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of  
2 the Senate a report containing recommendations to reduce  
3 helicopter and rotorcraft noise in the District of Columbia.

4 (b) CONTENTS.—The report required under sub-  
5 section (a) shall include recommendations on, at least—

6 (1) altitude;

7 (2) the number of flights;

8 (3) flight paths;

9 (4) time of day of flights;

10 (5) types of aircraft;

11 (6) operating procedures; and

12 (7) pilot training.

13 (c) RELEVANT OPERATORS AND ENTITIES DE-  
14 FINED.—In this section, the term “relevant operators and  
15 entities” means—

16 (1) the head of any agency or department of  
17 the Federal Government that flies a helicopter or  
18 rotorcraft over the District of Columbia;

19 (2) the Chief of Police of the Metropolitan Po-  
20 lice Department of the District of Columbia;

21 (3) any medical helicopter or rotorcraft oper-  
22 ator that routinely flies a helicopter or rotorcraft  
23 over the District of Columbia; and

- 1           (4) any other operator that routinely flies a hel-
- 2           icopter or rotorcraft over the District of Columbia.

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