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and Transportation

AN ACT

To establish a task force on improvements for notices to
air missions, and for other purposes.

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

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “NOTAM Improvement
3 Act of 2023”.

4 **SEC. 2. FAA TASK FORCE ON NOTAM IMPROVEMENT.**

5 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than 180 days after
6 the date of enactment of this Act, the Administrator of
7 the Federal Aviation Administration shall establish a task
8 force to be known as the FAA Task Force on NOTAM
9 Improvement (in this section referred to as the “Task
10 Force”).

11 (b) COMPOSITION.—The Task Force shall consist of
12 members appointed by the Administrator, including at
13 least one member of each of the following:

14 (1) Air carrier representatives.

15 (2) Airport representatives.

16 (3) Labor union representatives of airline pilots.

17 (4) The labor union certified under section
18 7111 of title 5, United States Code, to represent
19 FAA air traffic control specialists assigned to the
20 United States NOTAMs Office.

21 (5) The labor union certified under section
22 7111 of title 5, United States Code, to represent
23 FAA aeronautical information specialists.

24 (6) General and business aviation representa-
25 tives.

1 (7) Aviation safety experts with knowledge of
2 NOTAMs.

3 (8) Human factors experts.

4 (9) Computer system architecture and cyberse-
5 curity experts.

6 (c) DUTIES.—The duties of the Task Force shall in-
7 clude—

8 (1) reviewing existing methods for presenting
9 NOTAMs and flight operations information to pilots;

10 (2) reviewing regulations and policies relating
11 to NOTAMs, including their content and presen-
12 tation to pilots;

13 (3) evaluating and determining best practices to
14 organize, prioritize, and present flight operations in-
15 formation in a manner that optimizes pilot review
16 and retention of relevant information; and

17 (4) providing recommendations for—

18 (A) improving the presentation of NOTAM
19 information in a manner that prioritizes or
20 highlights the most important information, and
21 optimizes pilot review and retention of relevant
22 information;

23 (B) ways to ensure that NOTAMs are
24 complete, accurate, and contain the proper in-
25 formation;

1 (C) any best practices that the FAA
2 should consider to improve the accuracy and
3 understandability of NOTAMs and the display
4 of flight operations information;

5 (D) ways to work with air carriers, other
6 airspace users, and aviation service providers to
7 implement solutions that are aligned with the
8 recommendations under this paragraph; and

9 (E) ensuring the stability, resiliency, and
10 cybersecurity of the NOTAM computer system.

11 (d) REPORT.—Not later than 1 year after the date
12 of the establishment of the Task Force, the Task Force
13 shall submit to the Committee on Transportation and In-
14 frastructure of the House of Representatives and the Com-
15 mittee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the
16 Senate a report detailing—

17 (1) the results of the reviews and evaluations of
18 the Task Force under paragraphs (1) through (3) of
19 subsection (c);

20 (2) the best practices identified and rec-
21 ommendations provided by the Task Force under
22 subsection (c)(4);

23 (3) any recommendations of the Task Force for
24 additional regulatory or policy actions to improve the
25 presentation of NOTAMs; and

1 (4) the degree to which implementing the rec-
2 ommendations of the Task Force described under
3 paragraph (2) will address National Transportation
4 Safety Board Safety Recommendation A-18-024.

5 (e) APPLICABLE LAW.—The Federal Advisory Com-
6 mittee Act (5 U.S.C. App.) shall not apply to the Task
7 Force.

8 (f) SUNSET.—The Task Force shall terminate on the
9 later of—

10 (1) the date on which the Task Force submits
11 the report required under subsection (d); or

12 (2) the date that is 18 months after the date
13 on which the Task Force is established under sub-
14 section (a).

15 (g) AUTHORITY.—The Administrator shall have the
16 authority to carry out the recommendations of the Task
17 Force detailed in the report required under subsection (d).

18 (h) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

19 (1) FAA.—The term “FAA” means the Fed-
20 eral Aviation Administration.

21 (2) NOTAM.—The term “NOTAM” means no-
22 tices to air missions required by international or do-

