

# Union Calendar No. 474

119<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
2<sup>D</sup> SESSION

# H. R. 2247

[Report No. 119-551]

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 21, 2025

Mr. BURCHETT (for himself and Mr. MANN) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

MARCH 16, 2026

Reported with an amendment, committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, and ordered to be printed

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[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on March 21, 2025]

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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 “Airmen Certificate Ac-*  
5 *cessibility Act”.*

6 **SEC. 2. ACCEPTABLE FORMS OF CERTIFICATION.**

7 *(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 44703 of title 49, United*  
8 *States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:*

9 *“(m) SUFFICIENCY OF DIGITAL AND PHYSICAL AIR-*  
10 *MAN CERTIFICATES.—An individual issued a certificate*  
11 *pursuant to this section (including a medical certificate)*  
12 *may present such certificate to an inspector of the Federal*  
13 *Aviation Administration in any of the following formats:*

14 *“(1) A physical certificate issued by the Admin-*  
15 *istrator (or his or her designee).*

16 *“(2) A digital certificate issued by the Adminis-*  
17 *trator that is stored on an electronic device or, in*  
18 *areas where there is sufficient connectivity to do so,*  
19 *a cloud-based system, and presented in accordance*  
20 *with authentication and verification requirements es-*  
21 *tablished by the Administrator.”.*

22 *(b) RULEMAKING.—Not later than November 30, 2028,*  
23 *the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration*  
24 *shall issue a final rule to update regulations in parts 61,*  
25 *63, 65, 67, and 107 of title 14, Code of Federal Regulations,*

- 1 *to implement the amendments made by this section, and*
- 2 *any applicable guidance and policies.*



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