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# H. R. 6427

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 25, 2026

Received; read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science,  
and Transportation

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## AN ACT

To amend title 49, United States Code, to permit the use  
of State highway standards for airfield pavement con-  
struction and improvement under certain circumstances,  
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 “Airport Regulatory Re-  
3 lief Act of 2025”.

4 **SEC. 2. USE OF STATE HIGHWAY STANDARDS.**

5 Section 47114(d)(4) of title 49, United States Code,  
6 is amended to read as follows:

7 “(4) USE OF STATE HIGHWAY SPECIFICA-  
8 TIONS.—

9 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall  
10 use the highway specifications of a State for  
11 airfield pavement construction and improvement  
12 using funds made available under this sub-  
13 section or subsection (c)(1)(D) at nonprimary  
14 airports serving aircraft that do not exceed  
15 60,000 pounds gross weight if—

16 “(i) such State provides notice to the  
17 Secretary that nonprimary airports in the  
18 State intend to use such highway specifica-  
19 tions; and

20 “(ii) the Secretary determines that  
21 such specifications will not negatively af-  
22 fect safety.

23 “(B) DEADLINE.—The Secretary shall  
24 make a determination described in subpara-  
25 graph (A)(ii) not later than 6 months after a

1 State provides notice to the Secretary under  
2 subparagraph (A)(i).

3 “(C) EXTENSION.—If the Secretary deter-  
4 mines that the time provided under subpara-  
5 graph (B) is insufficient to make a determina-  
6 tion, the Secretary may extend the determina-  
7 tion period by 6 months, so long as the Sec-  
8 retary—

9 “(i) notifies the State that provided  
10 notice pursuant to subparagraph (A)(i) of  
11 the extension; and

12 “(ii) provides justification for the ex-  
13 tension to such State.

14 “(D) ADDITIONAL EXTENSIONS.—The Sec-  
15 retary may authorize additional extensions  
16 under subparagraph (C).”.

Passed the House of Representatives March 24,  
2026.

Attest: KEVIN F. MCCUMBER,  
*Clerk.*