105TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

H. R. 2790

To prohibit the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration from closing certain flight service stations.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 31, 1997

Mr. Riggs introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

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 "Community Flight
- 5 Safety Act of 1997".
- 6 SEC. 2. PROHIBITION ON CLOSING OF CERTAIN FLIGHT
- 7 SERVICE STATIONS.
- 8 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Ad-
- 9 ministrator of the Federal Aviation Administration may
- 10 not close any flight service station that—

1	(1) is located in the contiguous United States
2	and within 50 miles from the Atlantic or Pacific
3	Ocean, the Gulf of Mexico, or one of the Great
4	Lakes; and
5	(2) is located in an area that the Administrator
6	determines has weather conditions requiring aircraft
7	to operate under instrument flight rules on an aver-
8	age of 180 days or more per year.
9	SEC. 3. REOPENING OF CERTAIN FLIGHT SERVICE STA
10	TIONS.
11	Not later than 30 days after the date of the enact-
12	ment of this Act, the Administrator of the Federal Avia-
13	tion Administration shall reopen any flight service station
14	that was closed after September 1, 1997, and that met
15	the requirements of paragraphs (1) and (2) of section 2
16	in 1996.
17	SEC. 4. FUNDING FOR REOPENING AND OPERATION OF
18	CERTAIN FLIGHT SERVICE STATIONS.
19	Section 41742(b) of title 49, United States Code, is
20	amended by inserting before the period at the end of the
21	first sentence the following: "and not to exceed \$300,000
22	per fiscal year to reopen flight service stations under sec-
23	tion 3 of the Community Flight Safety Act of 1997 and
24	to operate such flight service stations".