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# S. 1455

To amend title 49, United States Code, to regulate the training of aliens to operate jet-propelled aircraft, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

SEPTEMBER 21, 2001

Ms. SNOWE (for herself and Mr. STEVENS) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

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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. PROHIBITION ON TRAINING ALIENS TO OPER-**  
4 **ATE JET-PROPELLED AIRCRAFT WITHOUT SE-**  
5 **CURITY BACKGROUND CHECKS.**

6 (a) PROHIBITION.—Chapter 449 of title 49, United  
7 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-  
8 lowing new section:

1 **“§ 44939. Training of aliens to operate jet-propelled**  
2 **aircraft**

3 “(a) PROHIBITION.—No person subject to regulation  
4 under this part may provide training in the operation of  
5 any jet-propelled aircraft to any alien within the United  
6 States unless the Attorney General issues to that person  
7 a certification of the completion of a background investiga-  
8 tion of the alien under subsection (b).

9 “(b) INVESTIGATION.—(1) Upon the joint request of  
10 a person subject to regulation under this part and an alien  
11 for the purposes of this section, the Attorney General  
12 shall—

13 “(A) carry out a background investigation of  
14 the alien; and

15 “(B) upon completing the investigation, issue a  
16 certification of the completion of the investigation to  
17 the person.

18 “(2) A background investigation of an alien under  
19 this subsection shall consist of the following:

20 “(A) A determination of whether there is a  
21 record of a criminal history for the alien and, if so,  
22 a review of the record.

23 “(B) A determination of the status of the alien  
24 under the immigration laws of the United States.

25 “(c) SANCTIONS.—A person who violates subsection  
26 (a) shall be subject to administrative sanctions that the

1 Secretary of Transportation shall prescribe in regulations.

2 The sanctions may include suspension and revocation of

3 licenses and certificates issued under this part.

4 “(d) COVERED TRAINING.—For the purposes of sub-

5 section (a), training includes in-flight training, training in

6 a simulator, and any other form or aspect of training.

7 “(e) ALIEN DEFINED.—In this section, the term

8 ‘alien’ has the meaning given the term in section 101(a)(3)

9 of the Immigration and Nationality Act.”.

10 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections

11 at the beginning of such chapter is amended by adding

12 at the end the following new item:

“44939. Training of aliens to operate jet-propelled aircraft.”.

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