

107TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. 1458

To facilitate the voluntary provision of emergency services during commercial air flights.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

SEPTEMBER 24, 2001

Mr. FEINGOLD introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

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 “Volunteers for Safe
5 Skies Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. VOLUNTARY PROVISION OF EMERGENCY SERVICES**

7 **DURING COMMERCIAL AIR FLIGHTS.**

8 (a) PROGRAM.—The Administrator of the Federal
9 Aviation Administration shall carry out a program to per-
10 mit qualified law enforcement officers, firefighters, and

1 emergency medical technicians to provide emergency serv-
2 ices on commercial air flights during emergencies.

3 (b) REQUIREMENTS.—The Administrator shall estab-
4 lish such requirements for administration of the program,
5 including qualifications for law enforcement officers, fire-
6 fighters, and emergency medical technicians, as the Ad-
7 ministrator considers appropriate.

8 (c) CONFIDENTIALITY OF REGISTRY.—If as part of
9 the program under subsection (a) the Administrator re-
10 quires or permits registration of law enforcement officers,
11 firefighters, or emergency medical technicians who are
12 willing to provide emergency services on commercial
13 flights during emergencies, the Administrator shall take
14 appropriate actions to ensure that the registry is available
15 only to appropriate airline personnel and otherwise re-
16 mains confidential.

17 (d) CONSULTATION.—The Administrator shall con-
18 sult with appropriate representatives of the commercial
19 airline industry, and organizations representing commu-
20 nity-based law enforcement, firefighters, and emergency
21 medical technicians, in carrying out the program under
22 subsection (a), including the actions taken under sub-
23 section (c).

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