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To direct the Secretary of Transportation to give certain workers who have lost their jobs as a result of the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001, priority in hiring for aviation-related security positions.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

OCTOBER 15, 2001

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

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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. PRIORITY IN HIRING.**

4 Not later than 30 days after the date of enactment
5 of this Act, the Secretary of Transportation shall issue
6 regulations directing that the Department of Transpor-
7 tation, agencies within the Department, and private com-
8 panies contracted to provide aviation-related security shall

1 give first priority in hiring, for employment related to se-
2 curity at airports and on aircraft operated by air carriers
3 in air transportation and intrastate air transportation, to
4 individuals who—

5 (1) were employed before September 11,
6 2001—

7 (A) in a security-related position at an air-
8 port;

9 (B) by an air carrier;

10 (C) at a facility at, or immediately adja-
11 cent to, an airport;

12 (D) in providing transportation to or from
13 an airport; or

14 (E) in other employment directly related to
15 commercial aviation;

16 (2) have been laid off, terminated, released, or
17 otherwise lost their jobs as a result of the terrorist
18 attacks of September 11, 2001; and

19 (3) are qualified for those positions or for train-
20 ing programs needed to qualify for those positions.

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