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To require a training program for all airline personnel responsible for checking passenger identification, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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

A BILL

To require a training program for all airline personnel responsible for checking passenger identification, 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,
- 3 SECTION 1. IDENTIFICATION TRAINING.
- 4 (a) In General.—Subchapter I of chapter 449 of
- 5 title 49, United States Code, is amended by inserting after
- 6 section 44918 the following:
- 7 "§ 44918A. Identification training
- 8 "(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 60 days after the
- 9 date of enactment of this section, the Administrator of the
- 10 Federal Aviation Administration, in consultation with the

- 1 Under Secretary of Transportation for Security, appro-
- 2 priate law enforcement, security, and terrorism experts,
- 3 representatives of air carriers and labor organizations rep-
- 4 resenting individuals employed in commercial aviation,
- 5 shall develop detailed guidance for training all airline per-
- 6 sonnel charged with the responsibility of checking pas-
- 7 senger identification to prepare airline personnel to iden-
- 8 tify fraudulent identification.
- 9 "(b) AIR CARRIER PROGRAMS.—Within 60 days after
- 10 the Administrator issues the guidance under subsection
- 11 (a) in final form, each air carrier shall develop a training
- 12 program in accordance with that guidance and submit it
- 13 to the Administrator for approval. Within 30 days after
- 14 receiving an air carrier's program under this subsection,
- 15 the Administrator shall review the program and approve
- 16 it or require the air carrier to make any revisions deemed
- 17 necessary by the Administrator for the program to meet
- 18 the guidance requirements.
- 19 "(c) Training.—Within 180 days after the Adminis-
- 20 trator approves the training program developed by an air
- 21 carrier under this section, the air carrier shall complete
- 22 the training of all airline personnel charged with responsi-
- 23 bility for checking passenger identification.
- 24 "(d) UPDATES.—The Administrator shall update the
- 25 training guidance issued under subsection (a) from time

- 1 to time to reflect new or different security threats and re-
- 2 quire air carriers to revise their programs accordingly and
- 3 provide additional training to their personnel.".
- 4 (b) Conforming Amendment.—The chapter anal-
- 5 ysis for chapter 449 of title 49, United States Code, is
- 6 amended by inserting after the item relating to section
- 7 44918 the following:

"44918A. Identification training.".

8 SEC. 2. IDENTIFICATION VERIFICATION.

- 9 (a) REQUIREMENT.—Subchapter I of chapter 449 of
- 10 title 49, United States Code, is amended by inserting after
- 11 section 44913 the following:

12 "§ 44913A. Identification verification

- 13 "(a) Program Required.—The Administrator of
- 14 the Federal Aviation Administration shall establish and
- 15 carry out a program to require the installation and use
- 16 at airports in the United States of such identification
- 17 verification technologies as the Administrator considers
- 18 appropriate to assist in the screening of passengers board-
- 19 ing aircraft at such airports.
- 20 "(b) Technologies Employed.—The identification
- 21 verification technologies required as part of the program
- 22 under subsection (a) shall include identification scanners,
- 23 retinal or facial scanners, or any other technologies that
- 24 the Administrator considers appropriate for purposes of
- 25 the program.

- 1 "(c) Commencement.—The installation and use of
- 2 identification verification technologies under the program
- 3 under subsection (a) shall commence as soon as prac-
- 4 ticable after the date of enactment of this section, as de-
- 5 termined by the Administrator but not later than 180 days
- 6 after the enactment of this section.".
- 7 (b) Conforming Amendment.—The chapter anal-
- 8 ysis for chapter 449 of title 49, United States Code, is
- 9 amended by inserting after the item relating to section
- 10 44913 the following:

"44913A. Identification verification.".

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