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H. R. 4868

To direct the Secretary of Transportation to conduct a test to determine the costs and benefits of requiring jet-propelled aircraft taking off from Newark International Airport, New Jersey, to conduct ascents over the ocean, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. FERGUSON 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. TEST OF AIRCRAFT OCEAN ROUTING.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—In order to examine an option for
5 reducing aircraft noise over communities in New Jersey,
6 the Secretary of Transportation shall conduct a 6-month
7 test to determine the costs and benefits of requiring jet-

1 propelled aircraft to conduct ascents after taking off from
2 Newark International Airport, New Jersey, over the
3 ocean.

4 (b) COMMENCEMENT DEADLINE.—The Secretary
5 shall commence the test under this section not later than
6 45 days after the date of enactment of this Act.

7 **SEC. 2. REPORT.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after the
9 date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Transpor-
10 tation shall transmit to Congress a report on the results
11 of the test conducted under section 1.

12 (b) CONTENTS.—The report shall include an analysis
13 of the effects on noise reduction of ocean routing of air-
14 craft taking off from Newark International Airport and
15 any recommendations and comments of the Secretary con-
16 cerning ocean routing of air carrier aircraft taking off
17 from Newark International Airport.

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