112TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

H. CON. RES. **60**

Expressing the sense of Congress that United States commercial air carriers should provide certain benefits to members of the Armed Forces who are traveling on official military orders and are being deployed overseas or are returning from an overseas deployment.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

June 16, 2011

Mr. Denham (for himself, Mr. Pierluisi, Mr. Roe of Tennessee, Mr. Braley of Iowa, Ms. Hirono, Mr. Carnahan, Mr. Meehan, Mr. Guinta, Mr. Gowdy, Mr. Schilling, Mr. Crawford, Mr. Sessions, Mr. Runyan, Mr. McKeon, Mr. Shuster, Mr. Fortenberry, Mr. Quayle, Mr. Yoder, Mr. Reed, Mr. Bilbray, Mr. Heck, Mr. Mack, Mr. Dold, Mr. Cummings, Mr. Harris, Mr. Nugent, Mr. Johnson of Ohio, Mrs. Davis of California, Mr. Kissell, Mr. Costa, Mr. Gary G. Miller of California, Mr. Mica, Mr. Smith of Washington, Mr. Carson of Indiana, Mr. Coble, Mr. Richmond, and Mrs. Ellmers) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Expressing the sense of Congress that United States commercial air carriers should provide certain benefits to members of the Armed Forces who are traveling on official military orders and are being deployed overseas or are returning from an overseas deployment.

Whereas members of the Armed Forces carry their personal and military equipment on aircraft when being deployed overseas or returning from an overseas deployment;

- Whereas individual members of the Armed Forces have been charged as much as \$200 for checked baggage when returning from an overseas deployment;
- Whereas members of the Armed Forces should not have to endure personal financial hardship as a result of serving our country;
- Whereas members of the Armed Forces make great sacrifices, including putting their lives in danger, to defend our country; and
- Whereas members of the Armed Forces traveling on official military orders should be provided with all reasonable and available accommodations when on commercial aircraft: Now, therefore, be it
- 1 Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate
- 2 concurring), That it is the sense of Congress that each
- 3 United States commercial air carrier should provide to any
- 4 member of the Armed Forces who is traveling on official
- 5 military orders and is being deployed overseas or is return-
- 6 ing from an overseas deployment—
- 7 (1) priority with respect to aircraft boarding;
- 8 (2) priority with respect to seat upgrades, when
- 9 available; and
- 10 (3) a waiver of all baggage fees.