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To amend title 49, United States Code, to require that individuals seeking training in the operation of certain aircraft be checked against the terrorist watchlist to ensure that such individuals are non-threats to aviation.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 19, 2012

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi (for himself, Ms. JACKSON LEE of Texas, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, and Mr. RICHMOND) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Homeland Security

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 “Flight School Security
5 Act of 2012”.

1 **SEC. 2. REQUIREMENT THAT INDIVIDUALS SEEKING**
2 **FLIGHT TRAINING ARE CHECKED AGAINST**
3 **THE TERRORIST WATCHLIST.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (a) of section 44939
5 of title 49, United States Code, is amended—

6 (1) by redesignating subparagraphs (A) through
7 (F) of paragraph (1) as clauses (i) through (vi), re-
8 spectively;

9 (2) by redesignating paragraphs (1) and (2) as
10 subparagraphs (A) and (B), respectively;

11 (3) by striking “12,500 pounds” and inserting
12 “12,500 pounds—”;

13 (4) by inserting before subparagraph (A), as re-
14 designated by paragraph (2) of this subsection, a
15 new paragraph (2);

16 (5) by moving the text beginning with “to an”
17 and all that follows through “only if—” to such
18 paragraph (2);

19 (6) by inserting before such paragraph (2) the
20 following new paragraph (1):

21 “(1) an individual seeking such training only
22 upon receipt of information from the Assistant Sec-
23 retary that—

24 “(A) the individual has been checked
25 against the terrorist watchlist to ascertain if the
26 individual is a threat to aviation; and

1 “(B) the Assistant Secretary has deter-
2 mined that the individual is a non-threat to
3 aviation; and”; and

4 (7) in the subsection heading by striking
5 “WAITING PERIOD.—” and inserting “REQUIRE-
6 MENTS; WAITING PERIOD.—”.

7 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Subparagraph (B)
8 of paragraph (2) of subsection (a) of section 44949, as
9 redesignated by subsection (a), is amended by striking
10 “paragraph (1)” and inserting “subparagraph (A)”.

11 (c) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The amendments made
12 by subsection (a) shall apply with respect to an individual
13 seeking flight training on or after the date of the enact-
14 ment of this Act.

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