

115TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 276

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

FEBRUARY 1, 2017

Received; read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science,
and Transportation

AN ACT

To amend title 49, United States Code, to ensure reliable
air service in American Samoa.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. RELIABLE AIR SERVICE IN AMERICAN SAMOA.**

2 Section 40109(g) of title 49, United States Code, is
3 amended—

4 (1) in paragraph (2), by striking subparagraph
5 (C) and inserting the following:

6 “(C) review the exemption at least every
7 30 days (or, in the case of exemptions that are
8 necessary to provide and sustain air transpor-
9 tation in American Samoa between the islands
10 of Tutuila and Manu’a, at least every 180
11 days), to ensure that the unusual circumstances
12 that established the need for the exemption still
13 exist.”; and

14 (2) by striking paragraph (3) and inserting the
15 following:

16 “(3) RENEWAL OF EXEMPTIONS.—

17 “(A) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in
18 subparagraph (B), the Secretary may renew an
19 exemption (including renewals) under this sub-
20 section for not more than 30 days.

21 “(B) EXCEPTION.—An exemption that is
22 necessary to provide and sustain air transpor-
23 tation in American Samoa between the islands
24 of Tutuila and Manu’a, may be renewed for not
25 more than 180 days.

1 “(4) CONTINUATION OF EXEMPTIONS.—An ex-
2 emption may continue for not more than 5 days
3 after the unusual circumstances that established the
4 need for the exemption cease.”.

Passed the House of Representatives January 31,
2017.

Attest:

KAREN L. HAAS,
Clerk.