

116TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 7800

To provide certainty for airport funding.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 27, 2020

Mr. COHEN (for himself, Mr. YOUNG, Mr. SIRES, Mr. SMITH of Nebraska, and Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia) 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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Airport Infrastructure
5 Readiness Act of 2020” or the “AIR Act of 2020”.

6 **SEC. 2. AIRPORT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM APPORTION-**
7 **MENTS TO PRIMARY AIRPORTS.**

8 Section 47114(c)(1) of title 49, United States Code,
9 is amended by adding at the end the following:

10 “(J) SPECIAL RULE FOR FISCAL YEARS
11 2022 AND 2023.—Notwithstanding subparagraph

(A) and the absence of scheduled passenger aircraft service at an airport, the Secretary shall apportion in fiscal years 2022 and 2023 to the sponsor of the airport an amount based on the number of passenger boardings at the airport during whichever of the following years that would result in the highest apportioned amount:

“(i) Calendar year 2018.

“(ii) Calendar year 2019.

“(iii) The prior full calendar year prior to the current fiscal year.”.

SEC. 3. AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL CONTRACT PROGRAM.

Notwithstanding section 47124(d)(1)(B) of title 49, United States Code, the Secretary of Transportation shall not calculate a benefit-to-cost ratio with respect to an air traffic control tower participating in the Contract Tower Program on the basis of an annual aircraft traffic decrease in fiscal years 2020 and 2021.

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