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AMENDMENT NO. _____ Calendar No. _____

Purpose: To improve the bill.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES—118th Cong., 1st Sess.

S. _____

To amend title 49, United States Code, to authorize appropriations for the Federal Aviation Administration for fiscal years 2024 through 2028, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on _____ and ordered to be printed

Ordered to lie on the table and to be printed

AMENDMENT intended to be proposed by Mr. BUDD

Viz:

1 At the appropriate place in title III, insert the following:
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3 **SEC. _____. STUDY ON FAA USE OF MANDATORY EQUAL ACCESS TO JUSTICE ACT WAIVERS.**
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5 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Comptroller General shall
6 conduct a study on the Administrator's use of waivers of
7 rights that may arise under section 504 of title 5, United
8 States Code, or section 2412 of title 28, United States
9 Code, as a condition for the settlement of any proceedings
10 to amend, modify, suspend, or revoke an airman certificate
11 or to impose a civil penalty on a flight engineer, mechanic,

1 pilot, or repairman (or an individual acting in that capac-
2 ity). Such study shall consider—

3 (1) the frequency of the Administrator's use of
4 waivers described in this subsection;

5 (2) the benefits and consequences of the use of
6 such waivers to both the Administrator and the cer-
7 tificate holder; and

8 (3) the effects of a prohibition on using such
9 waivers.

10 (b) COOPERATION WITH STUDY.—The Adminis-
11 trator shall cooperate with the Comptroller General's re-
12 quests for information to complete the study described in
13 subsection (a).

14 (c) REPORT.—Not later than 1 year after the date
15 of enactment of this section, the Comptroller General shall
16 submit to the appropriate committees of Congress a report
17 containing the results of the study conducted under sub-
18 section (a), together with recommendations for such legis-
19 lation and administrative action as the Comptroller Gen-
20 eral determines appropriate.