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AMENDMENT NO. _____ Calendar No. _____

Purpose: To make improvements for the screening of disabled passengers.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES—115th Cong., 1st Sess.

S. 1872

To authorize the programs of the Transportation Security Administration relating to transportation security, 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. THUNE (for himself, Mr. NELSON, Mr. BLUNT, and Ms. CANTWELL)

Viz:

1 At the appropriate place, insert the following:

2 **SEC. ____ . IMPROVEMENTS FOR SCREENING OF DISABLED**
3 **PASSENGERS.**

4 (a) REVISED TRAINING.—

5 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days
6 after the date of enactment of this Act, the Adminis-
7 trator, in consultation with nationally-recognized vet-
8 erans and disability organizations, shall revise the
9 training requirements for Transportation Security
10 Officers related to the screening of disabled pas-

1 sengers, including disabled passengers who partici-
2 pate in the PreCheck program.

3 (2) TRAINING SPECIFICATIONS.—In revising the
4 training requirements under paragraph (1), the Ad-
5 ministrators shall address the proper screening, and
6 any particular sensitivities related to the screening,
7 of a disabled passenger traveling with—

8 (A) a medical device, including an indwell-
9 ing medical device;

10 (B) a prosthetic;

11 (C) a wheelchair, walker, scooter, or other
12 mobility device; or

13 (D) a service animal.

14 (3) TRAINING FREQUENCY.—The Administrator
15 shall implement the revised training under para-
16 graph (1) during initial and recurrent training of all
17 Transportation Security Officers.

18 (b) BEST PRACTICES.—The individual at the TSA re-
19 sponsible for civil rights, liberties, and traveler engage-
20 ment shall—

21 (1) record each complaint from a disabled pas-
22 senger regarding the screening practice of the TSA;

23 (2) identify the most frequent concerns raised,
24 or accommodations requested, in the complaints;

1 (3) determine the best practices for addressing
2 the concerns and requests identified in paragraph
3 (2); and

4 (4) recommend appropriate training based on
5 such best practices.

6 (c) **SIGNAGE.**—At each category X airport, the TSA
7 shall place signage at each security checkpoint that—

8 (1) specifies how to contact the appropriate
9 TSA employee at the airport designated to address
10 complaints of screening mistreatment based on dis-
11 ability; and

12 (2) describes how to receive assistance from
13 that individual or other qualified personnel at the se-
14 curity screening checkpoint.

15 (d) **REPORTS TO CONGRESS.**—Not later than Sep-
16 tember 30 of the first full fiscal year after the date of
17 enactment of the TSA Modernization Act, and each fiscal
18 year thereafter, the Administrator shall submit to the ap-
19 propriate committees of Congress a report on the check-
20 point experiences of disabled passengers, including the fol-
21 lowing:

22 (1) The number and most frequent types of dis-
23 ability-related complaints received.

24 (2) The best practices recommended under sub-
25 section (b) to address the top areas of concern.

- 1 (3) The estimated wait times for assist requests
- 2 for disabled passengers, including disabled pas-
- 3 sengers who participate in the PreCheck program.