

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 4
OFFERED BY MR. BRAT OF VIRGINIA

At the end of title V, add the following:

1 **SEC. ____ . AIRPORT PRIVATIZATION.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 47134 of title 49, United
3 States Code, is amended—

4 (1) in the heading, by striking “**Pilot pro-**
5 **gram**” and inserting “**Program**” ;

6 (2) in subsection (b), in the matter preceding
7 paragraph (1), by striking “, with respect to not
8 more than 10 airports,”;

9 (3) by striking subsection (d) and inserting the
10 following:

11 “(d) PARTICIPATION OF CERTAIN AIRPORTS.—The
12 Secretary may favorably consider applications submitted
13 by general aviation airports.”; and

14 (4) by adding at the end the following:

15 “(n) SPONSOR PRIVATIZATION PLANNING.—

16 “(1) GRANTS.—The Secretary may provide
17 grants to carry out sponsor privatization planning
18 for the purpose of protecting the interests of the
19 public airport sponsor, the traveling public, and the
20 Federal Government.

1 “(2) LIMITATION ON FEDERAL SHARE.—The
2 Federal share of the cost of sponsor privatization
3 planning under this subsection shall comply with the
4 requirements of section 47109(a) and may not ex-
5 ceed \$500,000 per sponsor during any 5 year period.

6 “(3) FUNDING.—There are authorized to be ap-
7 propriated not more than \$5,000,000 may be used
8 to carry out this subsection.

9 “(4) PROHIBITION ON USE OF FUNDS.—A
10 grant under this subsection may not be used to fund
11 stipends or other types of fees or reimbursement of-
12 fered or paid to incentivize prospective purchasers or
13 lessees.”.

14 (b) PLANNING.—Paragraph (5) of section 47102 of
15 title 49, United States Code, is amended—

16 (1) in subparagraph (B) by striking “and” at
17 the end;

18 (2) in subparagraph (C) by striking the period
19 and inserting “; and”; and

20 (3) by adding after subparagraph (C) the fol-
21 lowing:

22 “(D) sponsor privatization planning, which
23 consists of professional services to evaluate the
24 legal and financial risks to the existing public

1 airport sponsor and associated Federal interests

2 if the sponsor were to proceed with either—

3 “(i) the potential sale or lease of an

4 airport to a person other than a public

5 agency; or

6 “(ii) the formation of a public-private

7 partnership for airport development or op-

8 eration.”.

