

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 119-

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At the end of title XI, add the following:

1 **SEC. 11 ____ . TRANSITION OF CIVILIAN AIR TRAFFIC CON-**
2 **TROL SPECIALISTS.**

3 Section 425 of the FAA Reauthorization Act of 2024
4 (Public Law 118–63) is amended—

5 (1) in subsection (c)—

6 (A) in paragraph (4) by striking “; and”
7 and inserting a semicolon;

8 (B) in paragraph (5) by striking the period
9 at the end and inserting “; and”; and

10 (C) by adding at the end the following:

11 “(6) develop recommendations in consultation
12 with the exclusive bargaining representatives of air
13 traffic control specialists of the Federal Aviation Ad-
14 ministration and the Department of Defense cer-
15 tified under section 7111 of title 5, United States
16 Code, to establish a reciprocal framework that facili-
17 tates the transition and exchange of air traffic con-
18 trol specialists, including controllers, air traffic man-
19 agers, and supervisors, between the Department of

1 Defense and the Department of Transportation to
2 address staffing requirements across the Federal
3 Government.”;

4 (2) in subsection (d)(2)—

5 (A) in subparagraph (A) by striking “;
6 and” and inserting a semicolon;

7 (B) in subparagraph (B) by striking the
8 period at the end and inserting “; and”; and

9 (C) by adding at the end the following:

10 “(C) recommendations to establish the re-
11 ciprocal framework for the transition and ex-
12 change of air traffic control specialists, includ-
13 ing controllers, air traffic managers, and super-
14 visors, between the Department of Defense and
15 the Department of Transportation, as required
16 pursuant to subsection (c)(6).”;

17 (3) by redesignating subsections (e), (f), and
18 (g) as subsections (f), (g), and (h), respectively;

19 (4) by inserting after subsection (d) the fol-
20 lowing:

21 “(e) CONSIDERATIONS.—In carrying out subsection
22 (c), the working group shall identify any barriers—

23 “(1) in training, phraseology, systems, or tech-
24 nology that would prevent the Federal Aviation Ad-
25 ministration from hiring certified series 2152 air

1 traffic control specialists from the Department of
2 Defense, or that would prevent the Department of
3 Defense from hiring certified air traffic controller
4 specialists from the Federal Aviation Administra-
5 tion, to fill vacant Administration positions, includ-
6 ing frontline manager roles;

7 “(2) to improving the ability of either the Sec-
8 retary of Defense or the Secretary of Transportation
9 to determine and communicate how the credentials,
10 experience, and training of an air traffic control spe-
11 cialist separating from the Armed Forces translate
12 to credentialed civilian employment in either the Air
13 Traffic Organization of the Federal Aviation Admin-
14 istration or the Department of Defense;

15 “(3) that exist to the mutual alignment and
16 standardization of controller credentials, experience,
17 and training between the Federal Aviation Adminis-
18 tration and the Department of Defense to facilitate
19 reciprocal employment opportunities;

20 “(4) that exist to ensuring members of the
21 Armed Forces with series 2152 controller creden-
22 tials, experience, and training have earned the equiv-
23 alent Federal Aviation Administration credential
24 prior to separation from the Armed Forces in addi-
25 tion to receiving their military credentials; and

1 “(5) that exist to establishing pathways for
2 Federal Aviation Administration controllers to gain
3 the necessary operational qualifications or certifi-
4 cations for civilian employment in critical air traffic
5 control roles within the Department of Defense.”;
6 and

7 (5) by adding at the end the following:

8 “(i) NO NET REDUCTION.—No transition of any in-
9 dividual pursuant to a program or recommendation devel-
10 oped under this section shall result in a net reduction in
11 the number of filled air traffic control positions at the De-
12 partment of Transportation or the Department of De-
13 fense, and no such transition shall be deemed complete
14 until the position vacated by the transitioning individual
15 has been filled or is actively being recruited to fill.”.

