

AMENDMENT TO
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At the end of subtitle D of title II, add the following:

1 **SEC. ____ . PUBLIC AIRPORT APRON ACCESS FOR TRAN-**
2 **SIENT GENERAL AVIATION AIRCRAFT.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 401 of title 49, United
4 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:
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6 **“§ 40132. Apron access for transient general aviation**
7 **aircraft**

8 “(a) TRANSIENT APRON.—A covered airport shall
9 provide transient general aviation aircraft parking on or
10 near the existing apron when the pilot or owner of that
11 aircraft does not need or request fuel or use other related
12 services from the covered airport or a fixed-base operator
13 at the covered airport.

14 “(b) TRANSIENT FEES.—A covered airport may assess a fee on a transient general aviation aircraft for using
15 the transient apron described in subsection (a) and, if it
16 does assess such a fee, the fee shall be fair, reasonable,
17 transparent, publicly available (including on the website
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1 of the entity that imposes such fee), and exclude any ex-
2 traneous or hidden costs.

3 “(c) ACCESS TO TRANSIENT APRON.—A controlled
4 access airport, or a fixed-base operator at a controlled ac-
5 cess airport, may not charge a fee for a pilot or passengers
6 to transit between their transient general aviation aircraft
7 parked on the transient apron described in subsection (a)
8 and a place outside the airport’s perimeter fence, whether
9 or not such transit requires passing through a building.

10 “(d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

11 “(1) CONTROLLED ACCESS AIRPORT.—The
12 term ‘controlled access airport’ means an airport
13 that is a public use airport and—

14 “(A) is required to have an airport security
15 program under part 1542 of title 49, Code of
16 Federal Regulations; or

17 “(B) the airport or a fixed-base operator
18 at the airport does not allow a pilot unescorted
19 access to the pilot’s transient general aviation
20 aircraft that is parked on the transient apron
21 described in subsection (a).

22 “(2) COVERED AIRPORT.—The term ‘covered
23 airport’ means an airport that is a public use airport
24 and has—

1 “(A) received a grant under section 48103
2 or chapter 471 at any time during the most re-
3 cent 20-year period; or

4 “(B) been the recipient of a Federal prop-
5 erty conveyance.

6 “(3) FIXED-BASE OPERATOR.—The term ‘fixed-
7 base operator’ means a business granted the right
8 by an airport sponsor or heliport sponsor to operate
9 on an airport or heliport and provide aeronautical
10 services, including fueling and charging, aircraft
11 hanging, tiedown and parking, aircraft rental, air-
12 craft maintenance, and flight instruction.

13 “(4) PUBLIC USE AIRPORT.—The term ‘public
14 use airport’ has the meaning given that term in sec-
15 tion 47102.

16 “(5) TRANSIENT GENERAL AVIATION AIR-
17 CRAFT.—The term ‘transient general aviation air-
18 craft’ means an aircraft, not owned or operated by
19 an air carrier or foreign air carrier, that is seeking
20 to park temporarily at an airport.”.

21 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The analysis for chap-
22 ter 401 of title 49, United States Code, is amended by
23 inserting after the item relating to section 40130 the fol-
24 lowing:

“40132. Apron access for transient general aviation aircraft.”.

