AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 116–54

OFFERED BY MR. LEWIS OF GEORGIA

Page 1103, after line 5, insert the following:

SEC. 10105. CHANGES IN AIRPORT SPONSORSHIP OR OPERATIONS.

Section 44706 of title 49, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by redesignating subsection (f) as subsection (h); and

(2) by inserting after subsection (e) the following:

''(f) CHANGE OF AIRPORT SPONSORSHIP OR OPERATIONS.—

''(1) UNDISPUTED CHANGE OF AIRPORT SPONSORSHIP OR OPERATIONS.—Except as provided for in paragraph (2), for a proposed transfer of the sponsorship or operations of an airport to a new sponsor or operator, the Administrator shall issue an airport operating certificate to a new sponsor or operator if—
“(A) the holder of the airport operating certificate for such airport consents to the transfer of sponsorship or operations; and

“(B) the new sponsor or operator satisfies all requirements for obtaining a certificate under this section.

“(2) Disputed Change of Airport Sponsorship or Operations.—For a proposed transfer of the sponsorship or operations of an airport to a new sponsor or operator for which the holder of the airport operating certificate disputes such transfer, the Administrator shall issue an airport operating certificate to the new sponsor if the new sponsor or operator satisfies all requirements for obtaining a certificate under this section and the dispute is resolved by—

“(A) the issuance of a final, non-appealable judicial decision requiring a change of sponsorship or operations; or

“(B) the issuance of a consent letter between the holder of an airport operating certificate and a new sponsor or operator.

“(g) Reimbursement of Airport Investment.—After a change in sponsorship or operations under subsection (f), the new airport sponsor or operator shall reim-
burse the previous holder of an airport operating certificate for investments made by such holder that have not been fully recouped as of the change in airport sponsorship or operations and such reimbursement shall be consistent with all policies and procedures of the Federal Aviation Administration.”.