

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 116-

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OFFERED BY MR. LEWIS OF GEORGIA

Page 1103, after line 5, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 10105. CHANGES IN AIRPORT SPONSORSHIP OR OPER-**
2 **ATIONS.**

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

5 (1) by redesignating subsection (f) as sub-
6 section (h); and

7 (2) by inserting after subsection (e) the fol-
8 lowing:

9 “(f) CHANGE OF AIRPORT SPONSORSHIP OR OPER-
10 ATIONS.—

11 “(1) UNDISPUTED CHANGE OF AIRPORT SPON-
12 SORSHIP OR OPERATIONS.—Except as provided for
13 in paragraph (2), for a proposed transfer of the
14 sponsorship or operations of an airport to a new
15 sponsor or operator, the Administrator shall issue an
16 airport operating certificate to a new sponsor or op-
17 erator if—

1 “(A) the holder of the airport operating
2 certificate for such airport consents to the
3 transfer of sponsorship or operations; and

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

7 “(2) DISPUTED CHANGE OF AIRPORT SPONSOR-
8 SHIP OR OPERATIONS.—For a proposed transfer of
9 the sponsorship or operations of an airport to a new
10 sponsor or operator for which the holder of the air-
11 port operating certificate disputes such transfer, the
12 Administrator shall issue an airport operating cer-
13 tificate to the new sponsor if the new sponsor or op-
14 erator satisfies all requirements for obtaining a cer-
15 tificate under this section and the dispute is resolved
16 by—

17 “(A) the issuance of a final, non-appeal-
18 able judicial decision requiring a change of
19 sponsorship or operations; or

20 “(B) the issuance of a consent letter be-
21 tween the holder of an airport operating certifi-
22 cate and a new sponsor or operator.

23 “(g) REIMBURSEMENT OF AIRPORT INVESTMENT.—
24 After a change in sponsorship or operations under sub-
25 section (f), the new airport sponsor or operator shall reim-

1 burse the previous holder of an airport operating certifi-
2 cate for investments made by such holder that have not
3 been fully recouped as of the change in airport sponsorship
4 or operations and such reimbursement shall be consistent
5 with all policies and procedures of the Federal Aviation
6 Administration.”.

