

**AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT**

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At the end of title VIII, add the following:

1 **SEC. 1. PROHIBITION ON CERTAIN FLIGHTS OVER MAJOR**  
2 **CITIES.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 447 of title 49, United  
4 States Code, is further amended by adding at the end the  
5 following:

6 **“§ 44748. Prohibition on certain flights over major**  
7 **cities**

8 “(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 60 days after the  
9 date of enactment of this section, no person may operate  
10 a civil rotorcraft in covered airspace except as provided  
11 for under subsection (b).

12 “(b) EXCEPTIONS.—

13 “(1) PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY.—The pro-  
14 hibition in subsection (a) shall not apply to a flight  
15 carried out for purposes of public health and safety,  
16 including—

17 “(A) law enforcement;

18 “(B) emergency response;

19 “(C) disaster response;

1           “(D) the provision of medical services; and

2           “(E) providing other services for the ben-  
3           efit of the general public, including flights car-  
4           ried out for research or for official purposes by  
5           a news organization.

6           “(2) INFRASTRUCTURE MAINTENANCE.—The  
7           prohibition in subsection (a) shall not apply to a  
8           flight carried out for purposes heavy-lift operations  
9           in support of construction and infrastructure main-  
10          tenance.

11          “(c) COVERED AIRSPACE DEFINED.—In this section,  
12          the term ‘covered airspace’ means the airspace directly  
13          over any city with a population over 8 million people and  
14          with a population density of over 25,000 people per square  
15          mile, including the airspace over any waterways considered  
16          within the limits of such city.”.

17          (b) HELICOPTER FLIGHT ROUTES FOR MAJOR CIT-  
18          IES AND SURROUNDING AREAS.—Not later than 90 days  
19          after a city initially meets the requirements to be covered  
20          by the prohibition in section 44748 of title 49, United  
21          States Code (as added by subsection (a)), the Adminis-  
22          trator of the Federal Aviation Administration shall issue  
23          or update such regulations as are necessary to carry out  
24          the requirements of such section.

1           (c) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—The table of sec-  
2 tions for chapter 447 of title 49, United States Code, is  
3 further amended by adding at the end the following:

“44748. Prohibition on certain flights over major cities.”.

