AMENDMENT TO H.R. 4
OFFERED BY MR. ROSKAM OF ILLINOIS

Page 46, after line 22, insert the following:

SEC. ___. AIRPORT NOISE MITIGATION AND SAFETY STUDY.
(a) STUDY.—Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration shall initiate a study to review and evaluate existing studies and analyses of the relationship between jet aircraft approach and takeoff speeds and corresponding noise impacts on communities surrounding airports.
(b) CONSIDERATIONS.—In conducting the study initiated under subsection (a), the Administrator shall determine—
(1) whether a decrease in jet aircraft approach or takeoff speeds results in significant aircraft noise reductions;
(2) whether the jet aircraft approach or takeoff speed reduction necessary to achieve significant noise reductions—
(A) jeopardizes aviation safety; or
(B) decreases the efficiency of the National Airspace System, including lowering airport ca-
pacity, increasing travel times, or increasing fuel burn;

(3) the advisability of using jet aircraft approach or takeoff speeds as a noise mitigation technique; and

(4) if the Administrator determines that using jet aircraft approach or takeoff speeds as a noise mitigation technique is advisable, whether any of the metropolitan areas specifically identified in section 157(b)(2) would benefit from such a noise mitigation technique without a significant impact to aviation safety or the efficiency of the National Airspace System.

(e) REPORT.—Not later than 2 years after the date of enactment of this Act, the Administrator shall submit to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate a report on the results of the study initiated under subsection (a).