

106TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 620

To direct the Secretary of Transportation to conduct a test to determine the costs and benefits of requiring jet-propelled aircraft taking off from Newark International Airport, New Jersey, to conduct ascents over the ocean, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 8, 1999

Mr. FRANKS (for himself, Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN, and Mrs. ROUKEMA) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. TEST OF AIRCRAFT OCEAN ROUTING.**

4 In order to examine an option for reducing aircraft
5 noise over communities in New Jersey, the Secretary of
6 Transportation shall conduct a 6-month live test to deter-
7 mine the costs and benefits of requiring jet-propelled air-

1 craft to conduct ascents after taking off from Newark
2 International Airport, New Jersey, over the ocean. The
3 Secretary shall commence such test not later than 45 days
4 after the date of enactment of this Act.

5 **SEC. 2. REPORT.**

6 Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment
7 of this Act, the Secretary of Transportation shall transmit
8 to Congress a report on the results of the test conducted
9 under section 1. The report shall include an analysis of
10 the effects on noise reduction of ocean routing of aircraft
11 taking off from Newark International Airport and any rec-
12 ommendations and comments of the Secretary concerning
13 ocean routing of air carrier aircraft taking off from New-
14 ark International Airport.

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