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H. R. 4123

To amend section 44706 of title 49, United States Code, to require operating certificates for airports at which large cargo operations are conducted.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 20, 2005

Mr. WELDON of Pennsylvania (for himself, Mr. WILSON of South Carolina, and Mr. BROWN of South Carolina) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

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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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Air Cargo Fire and
5 Rescue Enhancement Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. AIRPORT OPERATING CERTIFICATES.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 44706(a)(1) of title 49,
8 United States Code, is amended—

9 (1) by inserting “(A)” before “that serves”;

1 (2) by inserting “or” after the semicolon at the
2 end; and

3 (3) by adding at the end the following:

4 “(B) that serves an air carrier operating air-
5 craft that provide all cargo air transportation and
6 have a maximum certificated gross take-off weight of
7 100,000 pounds or greater;”.

8 (b) REGULATIONS.—The Administrator of the Fed-
9 eral Aviation Administration shall issue a notice proposed
10 rulemaking to implement the amendment made by sub-
11 section (a) not later than 180 days after the date of enact-
12 ment of this Act and shall issue a final rule to implement
13 such amendment not later than 365 days after such date
14 of enactment.

15 (c) IMPLEMENTATIONS.—

16 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraph (2),
17 the regulation issued under subsection (b) shall take
18 effect on the 180th day following the date of its
19 issuance.

20 (2) DELAYED IMPLEMENTATION.—An airport
21 operator that is affected by the regulation issued
22 under subsection (b) may request from the Adminis-
23 trator, and the Administrator may grant such oper-
24 ator, up to a 2-year period from the date the regula-

- 1 tion is issued to begin implementation of the regula-
- 2 tion and the amendment made by subsection (a).

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