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H. R. 5930

To amend title 49, United States Code, to impose limitations on airline practices concerning the expiration of tickets for air transportation, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 29, 2010

Mr. TOWNS 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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Consumer Protection
5 in Airline Ticket Validity Act of 2010”.

1 **SEC. 2. EXPIRATION OF TICKETS FOR AIR TRANSPOR-**
2 **TATION.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 41712 of title 49, United
4 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-
5 lowing:

6 “(c) EXPIRATION OF TICKETS FOR AIR TRANSPOR-
7 TATION.—It shall be an unfair or deceptive practice under
8 subsection (a) for any air carrier, foreign air carrier, or
9 ticket agent—

10 “(1) to sell a ticket for air transportation that
11 expires before the last day of the 3-year period be-
12 ginning on the date of issuance of the ticket; or

13 “(2) to impose restrictions, penalties, or fees
14 that are unreasonable, as determined by the Sec-
15 retary, on rescheduling the itinerary of a passenger
16 named on a ticket for air transportation if the re-
17 scheduling is requested before the ticket expires.”.

18 (b) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary of Transportation
19 shall issue regulations to carry out the amendment made
20 by subsection (a).

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