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and Transportation

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## AN ACT

To establish a task force on NOTAM improvements, and  
for other purposes.

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

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2        This Act may be cited as the “Notice to Airmen Im-  
3 provement Act of 2019”.

4 **SEC. 2. FAA TASK FORCE ON NOTAM IMPROVEMENT.**

5        (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Administrator of the  
6 Federal Aviation Administration shall establish a special  
7 task force to be known as the FAA Task Force on  
8 NOTAM Improvement (in this section referred to as the  
9 “Task Force”).

10       (b) COMPOSITION.—The Task Force shall consist of  
11 members appointed by the Administrator and shall include  
12 the following:

13              (1) Air carrier representatives.

14              (2) Labor union representatives.

15              (3) General and business aviation representa-  
16 tives.

17              (4) Aviation safety experts with knowledge of  
18 international and domestic regulatory requirements  
19 for notices to airmen (in this section referred to as  
20 “NOTAMs”).

21              (5) Human factors experts.

22        (c) DUTIES.—The duties of the Task Force shall in-  
23 clude—

24              (1) reviewing existing methods for presenting  
25 NOTAMs and flight operations information to pilots;

1                             (2) reviewing regulations and policies relating  
2                             to NOTAMs, including their content and presenta-  
3                             tion to pilots;

4                             (3) evaluating and determining best practices to  
5                             organize, prioritize, and present flight operations in-  
6                             formation in a manner that optimizes pilot review  
7                             and retention of relevant information; and

8                             (4) providing recommendations in the following  
9                             areas:

10                             (A) Improving the presentation of NOTAM  
11                             information in a manner that prioritizes or  
12                             highlights the most important information, and  
13                             optimizes pilot review and retention of relevant  
14                             information.

15                             (B) Ways to ensure that NOTAMs are  
16                             complete, accurate, and contain the proper in-  
17                             formation.

18                             (C) Any other best practices that the FAA  
19                             should consider to improve the accuracy and  
20                             understandability of NOTAMs and the display  
21                             of flight operations information.

22                             (D) Ways to work with air carriers, other  
23                             airspace users, and aviation service providers to  
24                             implement solutions that are aligned with the  
25                             recommendations under this paragraph.

1       (d) REPORT.—Not later than 1 year after the date  
2 of the establishment of the Task Force, the Task Force  
3 shall submit to the Committee on Transportation and In-  
4 frastructure of the House of Representatives and the Com-  
5 mittee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the  
6 Senate a report detailing—

7                 (1) the results of the reviews and evaluations of  
8 the Task Force under subsection (c);

9                 (2) the best practices identified and rec-  
10ommendations provided by the Task Force under  
11 subsection (c);

12                 (3) any recommendations of the Task Force for  
13 additional regulatory or policy actions to improve the  
14 presentation of NOTAMs; and

15                 (4) the degree to which implementing the rec-  
16ommendations of the Task Force will address Na-  
17 tional Transportation Safety Board Safety Rec-  
18 ommendation A-18-024.

19       (e) APPLICABLE LAW.—The Federal Advisory Com-  
20 mittee Act (5 U.S.C. App.) shall not apply to the Task  
21 Force.

22       (f) SUNSET.—The Task Force shall terminate on the  
23 earlier of—

24                 (1) the date on which the Task Force submits  
25 the report required under subsection (d); or

1                             (2) the date that is 18 months after the date  
2                             on which the Task Force is established under sub-  
3                             section (a).

4                             (g) AUTHORITY.—The Administrator shall have the  
5                             authority to carry out the recommendations of the Task  
6                             Force outlined in the report required under subsection (d).

Passed the House of Representatives October 28,  
2019.

Attest:

CHERYL L. JOHNSON,

*Clerk.*