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# H. R. 690

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 18, 2019

Mr. WALDEN introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

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## 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 “Defending Essential  
5 Flights and Ensuring National Security Efforts Act of  
6 2019” or the “DEFENSE Act of 2019”.

7 **SEC. 2. EXCEPTION FOR CERTAIN LOCATIONS WITH HIGH**  
8 **MILITARY USE.**

9 Section 41731 of title 49, United States Code, is  
10 amended by adding at the end the following:

1       “(g) EXCEPTION FOR CERTAIN LOCATIONS WITH  
2 HIGH MILITARY USE.—Subparagraph (D) of subsection

3 (a)(1) shall not apply with respect to any location—

4               “(1) that is certified under part 139 of title 14,  
5 Code of Federal Regulations;

6               “(2) that is not owned by the Federal Govern-  
7 ment; and

8               “(3) at which not less than 10 percent of air-  
9 craft takeoffs and landings in 2018 were by aircraft  
10 of the Armed Forces.”.

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