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H. R. 3134

To amend the Federal Aviation Act of 1958 to require the use of dogs at major airports for the purpose of detecting plastic explosives and other devices which may be used in airport piracy and which cannot be detected by metal detectors.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 27, 1993

Mr. BURTON of Indiana introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Public Works and Transportation

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 “Aviation Security Im-
5 provement Act of 1993”.

1 **SEC. 2. SCREENING BY DOGS.**

2 Section 316(b) of the Federal Aviation Act of 1958
3 (49 U.S.C. App. 1357(b)) is amended—

4 (1) by redesignating subparagraphs (A), (B),
5 and (C) of paragraph (2) as clauses (i), (ii), and
6 (iii), respectively;

7 (2) by redesignating paragraphs (1) and (2) as
8 subparagraphs (A) and (B), respectively;

9 (3) by inserting “(1)” after “(b)”; and

10 (4) by adding at the end of the following new
11 paragraph:

12 “(2) USE OF DOGS IN SCREENING.—

13 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The law enforcement
14 presence and capability required under para-
15 graph (1) shall include a requirement that the
16 operator of each major airport use dogs in
17 screening passengers and cargo for the purpose
18 of detecting plastic explosives and other devices
19 or materials which may be used in aircraft pi-
20 racy and which cannot be detected by metal de-
21 tectors.

22 “(B) MAJOR AIRPORT DEFINED.—In this
23 paragraph, the term ‘major airport’ means an
24 airport that is one of the largest 50 airports in
25 the United States, as determined by the num-

1 ber of passenger enplanements in calendar year
2 1992.”.

3 **SEC. 3. EXPLOSIVE DETECTION K-9 TEAMS.**

4 Section 529 of the Airport and Airway Improvement
5 Act of 1982 (49 U.S.C. App. 2225) is amended to read
6 as follows:

7 **“SEC. 529. EXPLOSIVE DETECTION K-9 TEAMS.**

8 “(a) GRANTS.—The Secretary shall make grants for
9 expenses of training and evaluation of dogs for the explo-
10 sive detection K-9 team training program for the purpose
11 of detecting explosives at airports and aboard aircraft. Not
12 later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of
13 the Aviation Security Improvement Act of 1993, the Sec-
14 retary shall extend such program to the largest 50 airports
15 in the United States, as determined by the number of pas-
16 senger enplanements in calendar year 1992.

17 “(b) FUNDING.—There is authorized to be appro-
18 priated from the Trust Fund for carrying out subsection
19 (a) such sums as may be necessary for fiscal years begin-
20 ning after September 30, 1993. Such funds shall remain
21 available until expended.”.

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