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AN ACT

To amend title 49, United States Code, to extend authorizations for the airport improvement program, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the funding and expenditure authority of the Airport and Airway Trust Fund, 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; TABLE OF CONTENTS.**

2 (a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the
3 “Airport and Airway Extension Act of 2023, Part II”.

4 (b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents for
5 this Act is as follows:

Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.

TITLE I—FEDERAL AVIATION PROGRAMS

Sec. 101. Airport improvement program.

Sec. 102. Extension of expiring authorities; miscellaneous authorizations.

Sec. 103. Federal Aviation Administration operations.

Sec. 104. Air navigation facilities and equipment.

Sec. 105. Research, engineering, and development.

Sec. 106. Small community air service.

TITLE II—AVIATION REVENUE PROVISIONS

Sec. 201. Expenditure authority from Airport and Airway Trust Fund.

Sec. 202. Extension of taxes funding Airport and Airway Trust Fund.

6 **TITLE I—FEDERAL AVIATION**
7 **PROGRAMS**

8 **SEC. 101. AIRPORT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM.**

9 (a) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Section
10 48103(a) of title 49, United States Code, is amended by
11 striking paragraph (7) and inserting the following:

12 “(7) \$1,464,480,874 for the period beginning
13 October 1, 2023, and ending on March 8, 2024.”.

14 (b) OBLIGATION AUTHORITY.—Subject to limitations
15 specified in advance in appropriation Acts, sums made
16 available pursuant to the amendment made by subsection
17 (a) may be obligated at any time through September 30,
18 2024, and shall remain available until expended.

1 (c) PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION.—For purposes of
2 calculating funding apportionments and meeting other re-
3 quirements under sections 47114, 47115, 47116, and
4 47117 of title 49, United States Code, for the period be-
5 ginning on October 1, 2023, and ending on March 8,
6 2024, the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Adminis-
7 tration shall—

8 (1) first calculate such funding apportionments
9 on an annualized basis as if the total amount avail-
10 able under section 48103 of such title for fiscal year
11 2024 was \$3,350,000,000; and

12 (2) then reduce by 56 percent—

13 (A) all funding apportionment amounts
14 calculated under paragraph (1); and

15 (B) amounts made available pursuant to
16 subsections (b) and (f)(2) of section 47117 of
17 such title.

18 (d) EXTENSION OF PROJECT GRANT AUTHORITY.—
19 Section 47104(c) of title 49, United States Code, is
20 amended in the matter preceding paragraph (1) by strik-
21 ing “December 31, 2023,” and inserting “March 8,
22 2024,”.

23 (e) EXTENSION OF SPECIAL RULE FOR APPORTION-
24 MENTS.—Section 47114(c)(1)(J) of title 49, United

1 States Code, is amended by striking “December 31,
2 2023,” and inserting “March 8, 2024,”.

3 **SEC. 102. EXTENSION OF EXPIRING AUTHORITIES; MIS-**
4 **CELLANEOUS AUTHORIZATIONS.**

5 (a) **AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE INSURANCE.**—Section
6 44310(b) of title 49, United States Code, is amended by
7 striking “December 31, 2023” and inserting “March 8,
8 2024”.

9 (b) **UNMANNED AIRCRAFT TEST RANGES.**—Section
10 44803(h) of title 49, United States Code, is amended by
11 striking “December 31, 2023” and inserting “March 8,
12 2024”.

13 (c) **SPECIAL AUTHORITY FOR CERTAIN UNMANNED**
14 **AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS.**—Section 44807(d) of title 49,
15 United States Code, is amended by striking “December
16 31, 2023” and inserting “March 8, 2024”.

17 (d) **EXTENSION OF AIRPORT SAFETY AND AIRSPACE**
18 **HAZARD MITIGATION AND ENFORCEMENT.**—Section
19 44810(h) of title 49, United States Code, is amended by
20 striking “December 31, 2023” and inserting “March 8,
21 2024”.

22 (e) **COMPETITIVE ACCESS REPORTING REQUIRE-**
23 **MENT.**—Section 47107(r)(3) of title 49, United States
24 Code, is amended by striking “January 1, 2024” and in-
25 serting “March 9, 2024”.

1 (f) MARSHALL ISLANDS, MICRONESIA, AND
2 PALAU.—Section 47115(i) of title 49, United States Code,
3 is amended by striking “December 31, 2023” and insert-
4 ing “March 8, 2024”.

5 (g) SUPPLEMENTAL DISCRETIONARY FUNDS.—Sec-
6 tion 47115(j)(4)(A) of title 49, United States Code, is
7 amended by striking clause (vi) and adding at the end the
8 following:

9 “(vi) \$244,177,049 for the period be-
10 ginning on October 1, 2023, and ending on
11 March 8, 2024.”.

12 (h) COMPATIBLE LAND USE PLANNING AND
13 PROJECTS BY STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS.—Sec-
14 tion 47141(f) of title 49, United States Code, is amended
15 by striking “December 31, 2023” and inserting “March
16 8, 2024”.

17 (i) NON-MOVEMENT AREA SURVEILLANCE PILOT
18 PROGRAM.—Section 47143(c) of title 49, United States
19 Code, is amended by striking “January 1, 2024” and in-
20 serting “March 9, 2024”.

21 (j) WEATHER REPORTING PROGRAMS.—Section
22 48105 of title 49, United States Code, is amended by
23 striking paragraph (5) and adding at the end the fol-
24 lowing:

1 “(5) \$17,049,180 for the period beginning on
2 October 1, 2023, and ending on March 8, 2024.”.

3 (k) LEARNING PERIOD.—Section 50905(c)(9) of title
4 51, United States Code, is amended by striking “January
5 1, 2024” and inserting “March 9, 2024”.

6 (l) MIDWAY ISLAND AIRPORT.—Section 186(d) of the
7 Vision 100—Century of Aviation Reauthorization Act
8 (Public Law 108–176; 117 Stat. 2518) is amended by
9 striking “December 31, 2023,” and inserting “March 8,
10 2024,”.

11 (m) FINAL ORDER ESTABLISHING MILEAGE AND
12 ADJUSTMENT ELIGIBILITY.—Section 409(d) of the Vision
13 100—Century of Aviation Reauthorization Act (49 U.S.C.
14 41731 note) is amended by striking “December 31, 2023”
15 and inserting “March 8, 2024”.

16 (n) CONTRACT WEATHER OBSERVERS.—Section
17 2306(b) of the FAA Extension, Safety, and Security Act
18 of 2016 (Public Law 114–190; 130 Stat. 641) is amended
19 by striking “January 1, 2024” and inserting “March 9,
20 2024”.

21 (o) REMOTE TOWER PILOT PROGRAM.—Section
22 161(a)(10) of the FAA Reauthorization Act of 2018 (49
23 U.S.C. 47104 note) is amended by striking “December 31,
24 2023” and inserting “March 8, 2024”.

1 (p) AIRPORT ACCESS ROADS IN REMOTE LOCATIONS;
2 STORAGE FACILITIES FOR SNOW REMOVAL EQUIP-
3 MENT.—Section 162 of the FAA Reauthorization Act of
4 2018 (49 U.S.C. 47102 note) is amended by striking “De-
5 cember 31, 2023” and inserting “March 8, 2024”.

6 (q) UAS REMOTE DETECTION AND IDENTIFICATION
7 PILOT PROGRAM.—Section 372(d) of the FAA Reauthor-
8 ization Act of 2018 (49 U.S.C. 44810 note) is amended
9 by striking “December 31, 2023” and inserting “March
10 8, 2024”.

11 (r) ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR AVIATION CONSUMER
12 PROTECTION.—Section 411(h) of the FAA Modernization
13 and Reform Act of 2012 (49 U.S.C. 42301 note) is
14 amended by striking “December 31, 2023” and inserting
15 “March 8, 2024”.

16 (s) AVIATION CONSUMER ADVOCATE.—Section
17 424(e) of the FAA Reauthorization Act of 2018 (49
18 U.S.C. 42302 note) is amended by striking “December 31,
19 2023” and inserting “March 8, 2024”.

20 (t) ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON AIR TRAVEL NEEDS
21 OF PASSENGERS WITH DISABILITIES.—Section 439(g) of
22 the FAA Reauthorization Act of 2018 (49 U.S.C. 41705
23 note) is amended by striking “December 31, 2023” and
24 inserting “March 8, 2024”.

1 (u) ENHANCED TRAFFIC SERVICES.—Section 547(e)
2 of the FAA Reauthorization Act of 2018 (49 U.S.C.
3 40103 note) is amended by striking “December 31, 2023”
4 and inserting “March 8, 2024”.

5 (v) PILOT PROGRAM FOR REDEVELOPMENT OF AIR-
6 PORT PROPERTIES.—Section 822(k) of the FAA Mod-
7 ernization and Reform Act of 2012 (49 U.S.C. 47141
8 note) is amended by striking “December 31, 2023” and
9 inserting “March 8, 2024”.

10 **SEC. 103. FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION OPER-**
11 **ATIONS.**

12 Section 106(k) of title 49, United States Code, is
13 amended—

14 (1) in paragraph (1) by striking subparagraph
15 (G) and inserting after subparagraph (F) the fol-
16 lowing:

17 “(G) \$5,208,743,169 for the period begin-
18 ning on October 1, 2023, and ending on March
19 8, 2024.”; and

20 (2) in paragraph (3) by striking “December 31,
21 2023” and inserting “March 8, 2024”.

22 **SEC. 104. AIR NAVIGATION FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT.**

23 Section 48101(a) of title 49, United States Code, is
24 amended by striking paragraph (7) and adding at the end
25 the following:

1 “(7) \$1,287,431,694 for the period beginning
2 on October 1, 2023, and ending on March 8, 2024.”.

3 **SEC. 105. RESEARCH, ENGINEERING, AND DEVELOPMENT.**

4 Section 48102(a) of title 49, United States Code, is
5 amended by striking paragraph (16) and inserting the fol-
6 lowing:

7 “(16) \$111,475,410 for the period beginning on
8 October 1, 2023, and ending on March 8, 2024.”.

9 **SEC. 106. SMALL COMMUNITY AIR SERVICE.**

10 (a) **ESSENTIAL AIR SERVICE AUTHORIZATION.**—Sec-
11 tion 41742(a)(2) of title 49, United States Code, is
12 amended by striking “\$89,191,486 for the period begin-
13 ning on October 1, 2023, and ending on December 31,
14 2023,” and inserting “\$155,115,628 for the period begin-
15 ning on October 1, 2023, and ending on March 8, 2024,”.

16 (b) **AIRPORTS NOT RECEIVING SUFFICIENT SERV-**
17 **ICE.**—Section 41743(e)(2) of title 49, United States Code,
18 is amended by striking “\$2,513,661 for the period begin-
19 ning on October 1, 2023, and ending on December 31,
20 2023,” and inserting “\$4,371,585 for the period begin-
21 ning on October 1, 2023, and ending on March 8, 2024,”.

**TITLE II—AVIATION REVENUE
PROVISIONS**

**SEC. 201. EXPENDITURE AUTHORITY FROM AIRPORT AND
AIRWAY TRUST FUND.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 9502(d)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended—

(1) in the matter preceding subparagraph (A) by striking “January 1, 2024” and inserting “March 9, 2024”; and

(2) in subparagraph (A) by striking the semicolon at the end and inserting “or the Airport and Airway Extension Act of 2023, Part II;”.

(b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 9502(e)(2) of such Code is amended by striking “January 1, 2024” and inserting “March 9, 2024”.

**SEC. 202. EXTENSION OF TAXES FUNDING AIRPORT AND
AIRWAY TRUST FUND.**

(a) FUEL TAXES.—Section 4081(d)(2)(B) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by striking “December 31, 2023” and inserting “March 8, 2024”.

(b) TICKET TAXES.—

(1) PERSONS.—Section 4261(k)(1)(A)(ii) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by striking “December 31, 2023” and inserting “March 8, 2024”.

(1) FUEL TAX.—Section 4043(d) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by striking “December 31, 2023” and inserting “March 8, 2024”.

(3) EXEMPTION FROM TICKET TAX.—Section 4261(j) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by striking “December 31, 2023” and inserting “March 8, 2024”.

Attest: KEVIN F. MCCUMBER,
Clerk.