

Suspend the Rules and Pass the Bill, HR. 6028

(The amendment strikes all after the enacting clause and inserts a new text)

112TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 6028

To authorize the Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security (Transportation Security Administration) to modify screening requirements for checked baggage arriving from preclearance airports, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 26, 2012

Mr. WALSH of Illinois introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Homeland Security

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 “No-Hassle Flying Act
5 of 2012”.

1 **SEC. 2. PRECLEARANCE AIRPORTS.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 44901(d) of title 49,
3 United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the
4 following new paragraph:

5 “(4) PRECLEARANCE AIRPORTS.—

6 “(A) IN GENERAL.—For a flight or flight
7 segment originating at an airport outside the
8 United States and traveling from an airport
9 outside the United States where U.S. Customs
10 and Border Protection has established
11 preclearance operations, the Assistant Secretary
12 (Transportation Security Administration) may,
13 in coordination with U.S. Customs and Border
14 Protection, determine whether such baggage
15 must be re-screened in the United States by an
16 explosives detection system before such baggage
17 continues on any additional flight or flight seg-
18 ment.

19 “(B) LIMITATION.—The Assistant Sec-
20 retary may not exercise the authority under
21 subparagraph (A) unless an agreement is in ef-
22 fect between the United States and the country
23 from which the flight originates requiring the
24 implementation of security standards and proto-
25 cols that are determined by the Assistant Sec-
26 retary in coordination with U.S. Customs and

1 Border Protection to be comparable to those of
2 the United States and therefore sufficiently ef-
3 fective to enable passengers to deplane into
4 sterile areas of airports in the United States.

5 “(C) REPORT.—The Assistant Secretary
6 shall submit to the Committee on Homeland
7 Security of the House of Representatives and
8 the Committee on Homeland Security and Gov-
9 ernmental Affairs of the Senate an annual re-
10 port on the re-screening of baggage under this
11 paragraph. Each such report shall include the
12 following for the year covered by the report:

13 “(i) A list of airports outside the
14 United States from which a flight or flight
15 segment traveled to the United States for
16 which the Assistant Secretary determined,
17 in accordance with the authority under
18 subparagraph (A), that checked baggage
19 was not required to be re-screened in the
20 United States by an explosive detection
21 system before such baggage continued on
22 an additional flight or flight segment.

23 “(ii) The amount of Federal savings
24 generated from the exercise of such au-
25 thority.”.

1 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Section 44901 of
2 title 49, United States Code, is amended by striking “ex-
3 plosive” each place it appears and inserting “explosives”.