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[Report No. 119-]

To amend title 49, United States Code, to permit the use of State highway standards for airfield pavement construction and improvement under certain circumstances, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 4, 2025

Mr. BEGICH (for himself, Mr. CASE, Mr. TAYLOR, and Ms. TOKUDA) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

JANUARY --, 2026

Reported with an amendment, committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, and ordered to be printed

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in italics]

[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on December 4, 2025]

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 “Airport Regulatory Re-*
5 *lief Act of 2025”.*

6 **SEC. 2. USE OF STATE HIGHWAY STANDARDS.**

7 *Section 47114(d)(4) of title 49, United States Code,*
8 *is amended to read as follows:*

9 *“(4) USE OF STATE HIGHWAY SPECIFICA-*
10 *TIONS.—*

11 *“(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall use*
12 *the highway specifications of a State for airfield*
13 *pavement construction and improvement using*
14 *funds made available under this subsection or*
15 *subsection (c)(1)(D) at nonprimary airports*
16 *serving aircraft that do not exceed 60,000 pounds*
17 *gross weight if—*

18 *“(i) such State provides notice to the*
19 *Secretary that nonprimary airports in the*
20 *State intend to use such highway specifica-*
21 *tions; and*

22 *“(ii) the Secretary determines that*
23 *such specifications will not negatively affect*
24 *safety.*

1 “(B) *DEADLINE.*—*The Secretary shall make*
2 *a determination described in subparagraph*
3 *(A)(i) not later than 6 months after a State*
4 *provides notice to the Secretary under subpara-*
5 *graph (A)(i).*

6 “(C) *EXTENSION.*—*If the Secretary deter-*
7 *mines that the time provided under subpara-*
8 *graph (B) is insufficient to make a determina-*
9 *tion, the Secretary may extend the determination*
10 *period by 6 months, so long as the Secretary—*

11 “(i) *notifies the State that provided*
12 *notice pursuant to subparagraph (A)(i) of*
13 *the extension; and*

14 “(ii) *provides justification for the ex-*
15 *tension to such State.*

16 “(D) *ADDITIONAL EXTENSIONS.*—*The Sec-*
17 *retary may authorize additional extensions*
18 *under subparagraph (C).”.*