

**AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT IN THE
NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE TO H.R. 2
OFFERED BY MR. GRAVES OF LOUISIANA**

At the end of subtitle F of title I of division B of the bill, add the following:

1 **SEC. ____ . AVIATION DEVELOPMENT STREAMLINING.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 47171 of title 49, United
3 States Code, is amended—

4 (1) in subsection (a)—

5 (A) in the matter preceding paragraph

6 (1)—

7 (i) by striking “develop and”;

8 (ii) by striking “enhancement projects
9 at congested airports,” and inserting
10 “projects,”; and

11 (iii) by striking “aviation safety
12 projects, and aviation security projects”
13 and inserting “and aviation safety
14 projects”;

15 (B) in paragraph (1) by striking “better”
16 and inserting “more efficient”; and

17 (C) in paragraph (2) by striking “, to the
18 maximum extent practicable”;

1 (2) by striking subsection (b) and inserting the
2 following:

3 “(b) AVIATION PROJECTS SUBJECT TO A STREAM-
4 LINED ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW PROCESS.—

5 “(1) IN GENERAL.—An airport capacity project,
6 a general aviation airport construction or improve-
7 ment project, or an aviation safety project shall be
8 subject to the expedited and coordinated environ-
9 mental review process requirements set forth in this
10 section.

11 “(2) PRIORITY REVIEW PROJECTS.—

12 “(A) IN GENERAL.—When the Adminis-
13 trator of the Federal Aviation Administration
14 determines that the criteria set forth in sub-
15 paragraph (B) have been met, the Adminis-
16 trator shall designate an aviation capacity
17 project or an aviation safety project for priority
18 environmental review. The Administrator may
19 not delegate this designation authority.

20 “(B) PROJECT DESIGNATION CRITERIA.—

21 In designating a priority review project, the Ad-
22 ministrator shall consider the following cri-
23 teria—

24 “(i) the importance or urgency of the
25 project;

1 “(ii) the potential for undertaking the
2 environmental review under existing emer-
3 gency procedures under the National Envi-
4 ronmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C.
5 4321 et seq.);

6 “(iii) the need for cooperation and
7 concurrent reviews by other Federal or
8 State agencies; and

9 “(iv) the prospect for undue delay if
10 the project is not designated for priority
11 review.

12 “(C) EXPEDITED AND COORDINATED RE-
13 VIEW.—A priority review project shall be sub-
14 ject to the expedited and coordinated environ-
15 mental review process requirements set forth in
16 this section.”;

17 (3) in subsection (c)—

18 (A) by striking “airport capacity enhance-
19 ment project at a congested airport” and insert-
20 ing “project”; and

21 (B) by striking “subsection (b)(3)” and in-
22 serting “subsection (b)(2)”;

23 (4) in subsection (d)—

1 (A) by striking “airport capacity enhance-
2 ment project at a congested airport” and insert-
3 ing “project”; and

4 (B) by striking “subsection (b)(3)” and in-
5 serting “subsection (b)(2)”;

6 (5) in subsection (g)(2) by striking “may” and
7 inserting “shall”;

8 (6) in subsection (h) by striking “subsection
9 (b)(3) and airport capacity enhancement projects at
10 congested airports” and inserting “subsection (b)(2),
11 airport capacity projects, aviation safety projects,
12 and general aviation construction or improvement
13 projects”;

14 (7) in subsection (k) by striking “airport capac-
15 ity enhancement project at a congested airport” and
16 inserting “project”; and

17 (8) by striking subsection (m) and inserting the
18 following:

19 “(m) PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENT.—The Sec-
20 retary shall establish a program to measure and report
21 on progress toward improving and expediting the environ-
22 mental review process.”.

1 (b) IMMEDIATE APPLICABILITY.—Section 1001 shall
2 not apply to this section and the amendments made by
3 this section.

