Amendment to the Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute to H.R. 3935 Offered by Mr. Mann of Kansas

At the end of subtitle B of title III, add the following:

1 SEC. ____. APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM FOR PILOTS.

2 (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

3 (1) APPRENTICE.—The term "apprentice"
4 means a student enrolled at a flight school.

5 (2) FLIGHT SCHOOL.—The term "flight school"
6 means a flight academy certified under part 141 of
7 title 14, Code of Federal Regulations.

8 (3) SECRETARY.—The term "Secretary" means
9 the Secretary of Transportation.

(b) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary, in consultation with flight schools and other industry stakeholders,
shall establish an apprenticeship program with flight
schools to establish a pipeline of qualified and interested
individuals to become commercial pilots.

(c) SELECTION.—Under the apprenticeship program
established under subsection (b), each flight school participating in the apprenticeship program established under

subsection (b) may select up to 8 applicants to flight
 school to serve as apprentices each academic year.

- 3 (d) CURRICULUM AND REQUIREMENTS.—
- 4 (1) IN GENERAL.—To graduate from an ap5 prenticeship program established under subsection
 6 (b), an apprentice shall satisfy any relevant require7 ments and minimum curriculum under part 141 of
 8 title 14, Code of Federal Regulations (or successor
 9 regulations), including all curriculum under subpart
 10 C of such part.

(2) MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS.—Nothing in this
Act prevents a flight school from imposing additional
requirements, such as modifying the terms of service
of the apprenticeship program, on an apprentice taking part in an apprenticeship program established
pursuant to this section.

17 (e) OPTIONAL PROGRAM.—A flight school may18 choose not to participate in an apprenticeship program es-19 tablished under this section.

(f) REGULATIONS.—Not later than 1 year after the
date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall issue
such regulations as are necessary to implement this Act.
(g) INCENTIVIZING RETIRED PILOTS.—The Secretary shall take such actions as may be appropriate to
develop methods to incentivize pilots, including retired

military pilots, retiring airline pilots, and graduates of the
 apprenticeship program established under this section, to
 become instructors at flight schools, including through the
 development of pathway programs for such pilots to gain
 initial qualification or concurrent qualification as certified
 flight instructors under part 61 of title 14, Code of Fed real Regulations.

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