Amendment to H.R. 4441 Offered by Mr. Barletta of Pennsylvania and Mr. Costello of Pennsylvania

At the end of subtitle A of title IV of the bill, add the following:

1 SEC. 419. CRITICAL AIRFIELD MARKINGS.

2 Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment
3 of this Act, the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Ad4 ministration shall issue a request for proposal for a study
5 that includes—

6 (1) an independent, third party study to assess 7 the durability of Type III and Type I glass beads 8 applied to critical markings over a 12-month period 9 at no fewer than 2 primary airports in varying 10 weather conditions to measure the retroflectivity lev-11 els of such markings on a quarterly basis; and

(2) a study at 2 other airports carried out by
applying Type III beads on one half of the centerline
and Type I beads to the other half and providing for
assessments from pilots through surveys administered by a third party as to the visibility and per-

- 1 formance of the Type III glass beads as compared
- 2 to the Type I glass beads over a 6-month period.

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