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AMENDMENT NO. _____ Calendar No. _____

Purpose: To require a Government Accountability Office study on the effects of the restriction on air carriers imposing certain fees.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES—115th Cong., 1st Sess.

S. 1405

To amend title 49, United States Code, to authorize appropriations for the Federal Aviation Administration, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on _____ and ordered to be printed

Ordered to lie on the table and to be printed

AMENDMENT intended to be proposed by Mr. INHOFE to the amendment (No. 1) proposed by Mr. MARKEY

Viz:

1 At the end of the amendment, add the following:
2 (f) GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICE
3 STUDY.—

4 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Comptroller General of
5 the United States shall conduct a study to determine
6 what the effect on the availability of air transpor-
7 tation to consumers would be—

8 (A) if the Department of Transportation
9 acts on the authority under subsection (a); and

1 (B) if the Department of Transportation
2 was granted the authority under subsection
3 (a)(1) for the fees described in paragraphs (2)
4 through (5) of subsection (b).

5 (2) CONSIDERATIONS.—In conducting the study
6 required by paragraph (1), the Comptroller General
7 shall consider, at a minimum, the effect of the regu-
8 lations described in paragraph (1) on—

9 (A) the cost of ticket prices and other fees
10 charged by air carriers;

11 (B) the services provided to air travelers
12 while traveling on air carriers, including low
13 cost air carriers and ultra-low cost air carriers;
14 and

15 (C) the availability, frequency, and sched-
16 ule of flights provided by air carriers, including
17 to rural communities.

18 (3) REPORT.—Not later than one year after the
19 date of the enactment of this Act, the Comptroller
20 General shall submit to the appropriate committees
21 of Congress a report on the study required by para-
22 graph (1), including the findings, conclusions, and
23 recommendations of the Comptroller General.