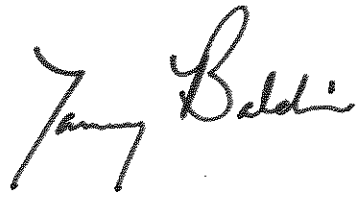


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AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_

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Purpose: To require the Secretary of Transportation to establish a pilot program to provide veterans with pilot training services.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES—118th Cong., 1st Sess.

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To amend title 49, United States Code, to authorize appropriations for the Federal Aviation Administration for fiscal years 2024 through 2028, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_ and ordered to be printed

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AMENDMENT intended to be proposed by Ms. BALDWIN

Viz:

1 At the appropriate place in title V, insert the following:  
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3 **SEC. \_\_\_\_ . PILOT PROGRAM TO PROVIDE VETERANS WITH**  
4 **PILOT TRAINING SERVICES.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary, in consultation  
6 with the Secretary of Education and the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, shall establish a program to provide assistance in the form of grants to eligible entities that provide  
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9 pilot training activities and related education to support  
10 a pathway for veterans to become commercial aviators.

1 (b) ELIGIBLE ENTITY.—For purposes of this section,  
2 the term “eligible entity” means a pilot school or provi-  
3 sional pilot school that—

4 (1) holds an Air Agency Certificate under part  
5 141 of title 14, Code of Federal Regulations; and

6 (2) has an established employment pathway  
7 with at least 1 air carrier operating under part 121  
8 or 135 of title 14, Code of Federal Regulations.

9 (c) PRIORITY APPLICATION.—In selecting eligible en-  
10 tities to award grants to under this section, the Secretary  
11 shall give priority to eligible entities that meet the fol-  
12 lowing criteria:

13 (1) The eligible entity is accredited (as defined  
14 in section 61.1 of title 14, Code of Federal Regula-  
15 tions) by an accrediting agency recognized by the  
16 Secretary of Education.

17 (2) The eligible entity holds a letter of author-  
18 ization issued in accordance with section 61.169 of  
19 title 14, Code of Federal Regulations.

20 (d) USE OF FUNDS.—Amounts from a grant received  
21 by an eligible entity under the pilot program shall be used  
22 for the following:

23 (1) Administrative costs related to implementa-  
24 tion of the program, not to exceed 10 percent of the  
25 amount awarded.

1           (2) To provide guidance and pilot training serv-  
2           ices, including tuition and flight training fees for  
3           veterans enrolled with the eligible entity and any  
4           training required to reach proficiency, to the vet-  
5           erans enrolled to support them in obtaining any of  
6           the following pilot certificates and ratings:

7                   (A) Private pilot certificate with airplane  
8                   single engine or multi engine ratings.

9                   (B) Instrument rating.

10                   (C) Commercial pilot certificate with air-  
11                   plane single engine or multi engine ratings.

12                   (D) Multi-engine rating.

13                   (E) Certificated flight instructor single en-  
14                   gine certificate, if applicable to degree sought.

15                   (F) Certificated flight instructor multi-en-  
16                   gine certificate, if applicable to degree sought.

17                   (G) Certificated flight instructor instru-  
18                   ment certificate, if applicable to degree sought.

19           (3) To provide books, training materials, and  
20           equipment to support pilot training activities and re-  
21           lated education for veterans enrolled with the eligible  
22           entity.

23           (4) To provide periodic reports to the Secretary  
24           on use of the grant funds, including documentation  
25           of training completion of the certificates and ratings

1 described in subparagraphs (A) through (G) of para-  
2 graph (2).

3 (e) APPROPRIATIONS.—To carry out this section,  
4 there is authorized to be appropriated \$5,000,000 for each  
5 of the fiscal years 2024 through 2028.