Maria Canture

AMENDMENT NO.____

Calendar No.

Purpose: To provide availability of slots for new entrants at Newark Liberty International Airport.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES—114TH CONG.,2D SESS.

S. 2658

To amend title 49, United States Code, to authorize appropriations for the Federal Aviation Administration for fiscal years 2016 through 2017, 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 Ms. Cantwell and Mr. Sullivan

Viz:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ____. AVAILABILITY OF SLOTS FOR NEW ENTRANT AIR CARRIERS AT NEWARK LIBERTY INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT.

(a) DEFINITIONS.—The terms "new entrant air carrier" and "slot" have the meanings given those terms in section 41714(h) of title 49, United States Code.

(b) SLOTS FOR NEW ENTRANT AIR CARRIERS The Secretary shall, annually, by granting exemptions from the requirements under part 93 of title 14, Code of Federal Regulations, or by other means, make not less than 8 slots at Newark Liberty International Airport available to enable new entrant air carriers to provide air transportation.

(c) APPLICABILITY.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (b) shall not apply in any year—

(A) new entrant air carriers operate 5 percent or more of the total number of slots at Newark Liberty International Airport; or

(B) the Secretary makes a determination that making slots available to enable new entrant air carriers to provide air transportation at that airport is not in the public interest and doing so would significantly increase operational delays.

(d) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—The Secretary shall notify the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate and the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives not later than 14 calendar days after the date a determination is made under subsection (c)(1)(B), including the reasons for that determination.