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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Ms. LANDRIEU introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

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A BILL

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1   *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*

2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4   This Act may be cited as the "Basic Airline Services

5 to Improve Customer Satisfaction Act".

1 **SEC. 2. REGULATIONS REQUIRING AIR CARRIERS TO PRO-**

2   **VIDE CERTAIN AMENITIES AND FACILITIES**

3   **TO PASSENGERS.**

4   Not later than 180 days after the date of the enact-

5 ment of this Act, the Administrator of the Federal Avia-

6 tion Administration shall prescribe regulations—

7   (1) to require an air carrier operating under

8   part 121 of title 14, Code of Federal Regulations, to

9   permit each passenger who has purchased a ticket

10   for air transportation on the air carrier to, without

11   paying a charge in addition to the price of the tick-

12   et—

13   (A) check one bag that is not considered

14   overweight or oversized pursuant to the policy

15   of the air carrier in effect on the day before the

16   date of the enactment of this Act;

17   (B) carry on to the aircraft one personal

18   item and one carry-on bag that are not consid-

19   ered overweight or oversized pursuant to that

20   policy; and

21   (C) once the passenger boards the aircraft,

22   have access to—

23   (i) a seat;

24   (ii) potable water; and

25   (iii) bathroom facilities; and

1   (2) to impose a civil penalty on an air carrier

2   that fails to comply with the regulations prescribed

3   under paragraph (1).

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