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S. 1683

To require the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration to
conduct a comprehensive study on child safety in aviation.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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

A BILL

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istration to conduct a comprehensive study on child safe-
ty in aviation.

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 “Kids Fly Safe Act”.

5 **SEC. 2. STUDY AND REPORT ON CHILD SAFETY IN AVIA-**
6 **TION.**

7 (a) STUDY.—The Administrator of the Federal Avia-
8 tion Administration (in this section referred to as the “Ad-
9 ministrator”), in consultation with the Secretary of Health
10 and Human Services, the Commissioner of Food and

1 Drugs, and the Consumer Product Safety Commission,
2 and the Administrator of the Transportation Security Ad-
3 ministration, shall conduct a comprehensive study on child
4 safety in aviation. The study shall include, but not be lim-
5 ited to, evaluation of the following issues:

6 (1) The usage and aircraft compatibility of age-
7 appropriate child safety seats and restraints, includ-
8 ing the different passenger safety and restraint
9 needs of infants, toddlers, and older children with
10 aircraft passenger seating.

11 (2) The procedures for evacuation of children
12 safely and efficiently from a transport category air-
13 plane and the extent to which new or revised age-
14 appropriate requirements are needed.

15 (3) Protection of strollers, child seats, and
16 other child safety equipment while in an aircraft
17 cargo hold.

18 (4) Taking into account other evaluations of
19 airports for compliance with the requirements of the
20 Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C.
21 12101 et seq.), and section 504 of the Rehabilitation
22 Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794), evaluation of the ex-
23 tent to which diaper changing stations and areas
24 designated for breastfeeding are accessible in airport
25 terminals.

1 (5) The extent to which airport terminal design
2 requirements include measures relating to ensuring
3 the general physical safety of children in the ter-
4 minal and while on airport property.

5 (6) The extent to which airport and airline poli-
6 cies protect children from contagious diseases or in-
7 flight respiratory issues.

8 (7) The extent to which the revised training re-
9 quired by section 1950 of the FAA Reauthorization
10 Act of 2018 (49 U.S.C. 44901 note) for Transpor-
11 tation Security Officers related to the screening of
12 passengers with disabilities, including passengers
13 with disabilities who participate in the PreCheck
14 program, and the best practices recommended under
15 subsection (b) of such section, address the proper
16 screening, and any particular sensitivities related to
17 the screening, of passengers who are children with a
18 disability.

19 (b) REPORT.—Not later than 180 after the date of
20 enactment of this Act, the Administrator shall submit to
21 the appropriate committees of Congress a report con-
22 taining the results of the study conducted under sub-
23 section (a), together with recommendations for such legis-
24 lation as the Administrator determines appropriate.

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