

## 117TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION H.R. 2285

To require the Federal Aviation Administration to implement a Government Accountability Office recommendation relating to helicopter noise in the Washington, DC area, and for other purposes.

## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

March 29, 2021

Ms. Norton (for herself, Mr. Connolly, Mr. Beyer, Mr. Raskin, Mr. Brown, and Mr. Trone) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

## 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 "Washington, DC Area
- 5 Helicopter Noise Information Exchange Act of 2021".
- 6 SEC. 2. INFORMATION SHARING REQUIREMENT.
- 7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the
- 8 date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Transpor-

1	tation, acting through the Administrator of the Federal
2	Aviation Administration, shall establish a mechanism to
3	make helicopter noise complaint data accessible to the
4	Federal Aviation Administration and helicopter operators
5	operating in the Washington, DC area, based on the rec-
6	ommendation of the Government Accountability Office in
7	the report published on January 7, 2021, titled "Aircraft
8	Noise: Better Information Sharing Could Improve Re-
9	sponses to Washington, D.C. Area Helicopter Noise Con-
10	cerns".
11	(b) Cooperation.—Any helicopter operator oper-
12	ating in the Washington, DC area shall provide helicopter
13	noise complaint data to the Federal Aviation Administra-
14	tion through the mechanism established under subsection
15	(a).
16	(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this Act:
17	(1) Helicopter noise complaint data.—
18	The term "helicopter noise complaint data"—
19	(A) means general data relating to a com-
20	plaint made by an individual about helicopter
21	noise in the Washington, DC area and may in-
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23	(i) the location and description of the
24	event that is the subject of the complaint

1	(ii) the start and end time of such
2	event;
3	(iii) a description of the aircraft that
4	is the subject of the complaint; and
5	(iv) the airport name associated with
6	such event; and
7	(B) does not include the personally identi-
8	fiable information of the individual who sub-
9	mitted the complaint.
10	(2) Washington, DC Area.—The term "Wash-
11	ington, DC area" means the area inside of a 30-mile
12	radius of Ronald Reagan Washington National Air-
13	port.

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