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To direct the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration to issue regulations relating to recirculation of fresh air in commercial aircraft, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. NADLER (for himself, Mr. SCHAEFER, Mr. BORSKI, Mr. FARR of California, Mr. FROST, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. JOHNSTON of Florida, Mr. KENNEDY of Massachusetts, Mr. LANTOS, Mrs. LOWEY, Ms. MCKINNEY, Mr. MORAN, Ms. RIVERS, Mr. SANDERS, and Ms. WOOLSEY) 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. RECIRCULATION OF FRESH AIR IN COMMER-**
4 **CIAL AIRCRAFT.**

5 Not later than 180 days after the date of the enact-
6 ment of this Act, the Administrator of the Federal Avia-
7 tion Administration shall issue—

1 (1) regulations which require that each aircraft
2 operated by an air carrier or foreign air carrier to
3 provide air transportation have a ventilation system
4 which provides in the cabin of the aircraft not less
5 than 20 cubic feet of fresh air per minute per person
6 in the cabin; and

7 (2) regulations relating to—

8 (A) monitoring of recirculating air filters
9 to ensure that such filters are changed when
10 they need to be;

11 (B) maintaining a minimum standard of
12 humidity in the cabin of the aircraft; and

13 (C) monitoring of ozone levels in the cabin
14 to assure compliance with current regulations.

15 **SEC. 2. REPORTING OF AIR TRAVEL RELATED ILLNESSES.**

16 (a) **TOLL FREE TELEPHONE NUMBER.**—Not later
17 than 60 days after the date of the enactment of this Act,
18 the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration
19 shall establish and maintain a toll free telephone number
20 system for receiving telephone calls to report illnesses re-
21 lating to air travel on aircraft used to provide air transpor-
22 tation of passengers.

23 (b) **REPORTING.**—The Administrator shall prepare,
24 publish, and transmit to Congress a quarterly report on
25 the telephone calls received under subsection (a). Each

1 such report shall contain, at a minimum, the total number
2 of calls received during the preceding calendar quarter, the
3 total number of such calls for each type of illness estab-
4 lished by the Administrator, and the total number of such
5 calls for each class of aircraft established by the Adminis-
6 trator per type of illness.

7 **SEC. 3. DEFINITIONS.**

8 For purposes of this Act, the terms “air carrier”,
9 “aircraft”, “air transportation”, and “foreign air carrier”
10 have the meaning such terms have under section 40102
11 of title 49, United States Code.

12 **SEC. 4. SHORT TITLE.**

13 This Act may be cited as the “Aviation Clear Air Act
14 of 1996”.

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