



FAA Reauthorization Legislation Introduced; ATC Privatization Grounded

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PASS members can explore the union's analysis of the bill [here](#).

“PASS welcomes this bipartisan legislation that addresses several important issues and, most significantly, does not call for spinning off the air traffic control system from the federal government,” said PASS National President Mike Perrone. “PASS worked consistently over the past five years to secure inclusion of a number of critical provisions important to the union. We look forward to working with House and Senate transportation leaders on both sides of the aisle to pass a long-term FAA reauthorization package that continues to modernize and improve the system while protecting the dedicated men and women of the FAA.”