



PASS Supports Long-Term FAA Reauthorization Bill; Privatization Efforts Grounded

The Professional Aviation Safety Specialists (PASS), AFL-CIO, applauds the bipartisan efforts of Congress to pursue a commonsense Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) reauthorization bill that abandons privatizing air traffic control and prioritizes the safety and efficiency of the largest, safest and most complex air traffic control system in the world. The bill, which is coming up for a vote in the House of Representatives, would authorize the agency through 2023 after several years of short-term extensions.

“We embrace efforts to ensure aviation safety and modernize air traffic control while protecting the rights of all of our members,” said PASS National President Mike Perrone. “The legislation will help the United States remain the gold standard in aviation safety and reject dangerous privatization schemes as we continue to modernize our airspace.”

PASS represents 11,000 employees of the FAA and has been a leader in efforts to defeat any air traffic control privatization proposals that would take oversight of the system out of the hands of the expertly trained federal employees at the FAA.

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