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H. R. 8233

To direct the Secretary of Transportation to reinstitute subsidies under the Essential Air Service program for certain airports, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. TRONE (for himself, Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania, and Mr. REED) 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 “Restoring Essential
5 Service to Small Airports Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. COVID-19 ESSENTIAL AIR SERVICE PROGRAM REIN-**
7 **STATEMENT.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other provi-
9 sion of law, the Secretary of Transportation shall re-

1 institute a subsidy under the Essential Air Service pro-
2 gram for all airports that were removed from such pro-
3 gram after fiscal year 2015.

4 (b) TIMING.—For purposes of this section, an airport
5 described in subsection (a) shall be reinstated for the
6 longer of a period of 1 year beginning on the date of enact-
7 ment of this Act or the period in which such airport meets
8 the qualifying criteria for an airport under the Essential
9 Air Service Program.

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