SENATE

REPORT 101-121

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATION BILL, 1990

SEPTEMBER 7 (legislative day SEPTEMBER 6), 1989.—Ordered to be printed

Mr. LAUTENBERG, from the Committee on Appropriations, submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany H.R. 3015]

The Committee on Appropriations, to which was referred the bill (H.R. 3015) making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1990, and for other purposes, reports to the Senate with various amendments, and presents herewith information relative to the changes recommended.

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AIRLINE SMOKING BAN

The Committee has amended section 335 of the House-passed bill, to permanently ban cigarette smoking on domestic airline flights.

On February 10, 1989, a study on the exposure of nonsmokers on airline flights to cigarette smoke was published in the journal of the American Medical Association. That study, conducted by a group of scientists led by researchers from the National Cancer Institute and the Environmental Protection Agency, showed that nonsmoking passengers and flight attendants are exposed to equivalent amounts of nicotine as smoking passengers.

This study confirmed concerns about the health risks posed by passive smoking. In the United States, 390,000 people die each year from smoking-related causes. The Surgeon General estimated that as many as 5,000 nonsmokers die each year from inhaling smoke of others. The problems posed by cigarette smoke on airplanes can be even worse than those in other environments. Newer, more fuel-efficient planes utilize increasing amounts of recirculated air, increasing the exposure of passengers to smoke.

The dangers of passive smoking continue to be of continuing concern to the Committee. The Committee adopted a provision on the fiscal year 1988 Transportation appropriations bill banning smoking on some commercial domestic flights. That ban has been implemented very successfully, with overwhelming public acceptance. Based on this experience, and mounting scientific evidence on the dangers of passive smoking, especially in a confined environment like an airline cabin, the Committee has included this provision to prohibit smoking on domestic airline flights.

The Senate amendment treats all airlines alike, that is, if the prohibition on smoking applies to any airline's flight segment between any two cities it applies to all airlines' flight segments between those two cities. This prohibition is applied without regard to whether the airline in question is a domestic or is a foreign airline flying within the United States on the continuing segment of a

flight from a foreign port to a U.S. gateway.

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Vote on motion for cloture on Lautenberg Amendment extending smoking ban to all flights.

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Vote on Motion to Uphold Favorable Ruling of Chair on Hollings Pointof-Order Objections to Lautenberg Amendment

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