## KEY VOTE **ALERT!**

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## TO THE MEMBERS OF THE U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES:

The U.S. Chamber of Commerce urges your support for H.R. 4, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Reauthorization Act of 2018. The bill would provide five years of FAA authorization and add much needed provisions on unmanned aircraft systems regulation, safety certification, and other critical aviation programs. <u>The Chamber may include votes on, or in</u> relation to, this legislation in our annual *How They Voted* scorecard.

The American economy relies on a safe, secure, and efficient aviation system to create jobs, improve economic development, catalyze global competitiveness, improve quality of life, and maintain national security. Enactment of a long-term FAA authorization bill would streamline critical programs while incentivizing long-term investment in the aviation sector.

As the bill moves toward debate on the floor, we urge you to:

- **Support** an amendment (140) by Representatives Denham, Cuellar, and Costa that would clarify a federal preemption provision of a trucking statute in the Federal Aviation Administration Authorization Act of 1994 (FAAAA). This clarification would restore the goals Congress intended when it sought national uniformity for motor carriers in the transportation of property, rather than a 50-state patchwork that would inhibit the movement of freight throughout the country.
- **Support** the Managers amendment (243) by House Transportation & Infrastructure Committee Chairman Bill Shuster. Among other things, the amendment would adjust authorization levels to conform to the updated Congressional Budget Office baseline for Fiscal Year 2018 and enhancements to the Airport Investment Partnership Program.
- **Support** an amendment (136) by Representative DeFazio that would provide FAA flexibility to collaborate with industry to update operational parameters needed for unmanned aircraft flown for hobby/recreational purposes.

The Chamber is committed to working with the House and Senate to enact a long-term FAA authorization bill this year.

Sincerely,

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