

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2997
OFFERED BY MR. SIRES OF NEW JERSEY

Page 43, after line 12, insert the following and re-designate any subsequent sections accordingly):

1 SEC. 158. REGULATIONS FOR CERTAIN HELICOPTER NOISE.

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after the
3 date of the enactment of this Act, the Administrator of
4 the Federal Aviation Administration shall prescribe regu-
5 lations for helicopter operations in Hudson County, New
6 Jersey, that include requirements relating to the flight
7 paths and altitudes associated with such operations to re-
8 duce helicopter noise pollution in residential areas, in-
9 crease safety, and minimize scheduled commercial aircraft
10 delays.

11 (b) EXEMPTIONS.—In prescribing regulations under
12 subsection (a), the Administrator shall exempt helicopter
13 operations related to emergency, law enforcement, or mili-
14 tary activities from the requirements described in that
15 subsection.

16 (c) CONSULTATIONS.—In prescribing regulations
17 under subsection (a), the Administrator shall make rea-
18 sonable efforts to consult with local communities and local
19 helicopter operators in order to develop regulations that

1 meet the needs of local communities, helicopter operators,
2 and the Federal Aviation Administration.

3 (d) SPANISH LANGUAGE FOR COMPLAINT SYSTEM.—

4 Not later than 6 months after the date of enactment of
5 this Act, the Federal Aviation Administration shall pro-
6 vide a Spanish language option for the Port Authority of
7 New York and New Jersey automated noise complaint sys-
8 tem.

