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116TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

**H. R.** \_\_\_\_\_

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

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. TRONE introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee  
on \_\_\_\_\_  
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**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”.

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

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other provi-  
4 sion of law, the Secretary of Transportation shall re-  
5 institute a subsidy under the Essential Air Service pro-  
6 gram for all airports that were removed from such pro-  
7 gram after fiscal year 2015.

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