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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.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. TRONE introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee
on _____

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 reinstated 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.