

SB505 Transportation - Aviation - Passenger Health and Safety (Aviation Health and Safety Act) - Favorable

Finance Committee

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Dear Honorable Chair Beidle, Vice Chair Hays, Members of the Committee

I am a primary care physician who treats undocumented people in terror of ICE abductions. Airline flights pose known risks to those detained, especially those shackled on ICE flights: shackles can increase risks of blood clots and pain.

This is why we need the Aviation Health and Safety Act – where everyone who is transported must have medical forms indicating allergies or medical conditions, as well as what medications each is taking. Minors must be documented, with information about their guardians if they are unaccompanied. These are basic requirements when overseeing the transportation for a large group of people. The fixed-base operator or aviation service company is, in effect, responsible for the wellbeing of all detainees on board, and needs to prove they take this responsibility seriously.

This is why I urge the Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee to issue **a favorable report on S B505.**

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