

**Testimony on Senate Bill – Favorable
SB505 Transportation - Aviation - Passenger Health and Safety (Aviation
Health and Safety Act)**

Finance Committee

February 18, 2026

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

I, Cynthia Sokolow, offer favorable testimony in support of **SB505 Transportation - Aviation - Passenger Health and Safety (Aviation Health and Safety Act)**.

Restraining people when flying detainees is a concern. The FAA standards mandate that aircraft with more than 44 seats must be capable of a full emergency evacuation within 90 seconds. Individuals who are restrained may not be capable of swiftly and safely evacuating. Flight attendants, responsible for all travelers' safety, are putting passengers as well as crew at risk.

I urge the Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee to issue **a favorable report on SB505**.

Sincerely,
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