

119TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. 160

AN ACT

To amend the Wildfire Suppression Aircraft Transfer Act of 1996 to reauthorize the sale by the Department of Defense of aircraft and parts for wildfire suppression purposes, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Aerial Firefighting En-
3 hancement Act of 2025”.

4 **SEC. 2. MODIFICATION AND REAUTHORIZATION OF AU-**
5 **THORITY FOR SALE BY DEPARTMENT OF DE-**
6 **FENSE OF AIRCRAFT AND PARTS FOR WILD-**
7 **FIRE SUPPRESSION PURPOSES.**

8 Section 2 of the Wildfire Suppression Aircraft Trans-
9 fer Act of 1996 (Public Law 104–307; 10 U.S.C. 2576
10 note) is amended—

11 (1) in subsection (a)(1)—

12 (A) by striking “a period” and inserting
13 “the period”; and

14 (B) by inserting “or water” after “fire re-
15 tardant”;

16 (2) in subsection (b), by striking “sold under
17 subsection (a)” and all that follows through the pe-
18 riod at the end and inserting “sold under subsection
19 (a) may be used only for the provision of aircraft
20 services for wildfire suppression purposes.”;

21 (3) in subsection (c), by inserting “or water”
22 after “fire retardant”;

23 (4) in subsection (d)(1), in the second sentence,
24 by striking “subsection (a)(1)” and inserting “sub-
25 section (g)”;

1 (5) by striking subsection (g) and inserting the
2 following:

3 “(g) PERIOD FOR EXERCISE OF AUTHORITY.—The
4 period specified in this subsection is the period beginning
5 on the date of the enactment of the Aerial Firefighting
6 Enhancement Act of 2025 and ending on October 1,
7 2035.”.

Passed the Senate April 8, 2025.

Attest:

Secretary.

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