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H. R. 5035

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. WEINER introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

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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,*

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4 property that will be carried aboard a passenger aircraft
5 operated in the United States by a person other than an
6 air carrier (as defined in section 40102 of title 49, United
7 States Code) as the screening that is provided for all pas-
8 sengers and property that are carried aboard a passenger
9 aircraft operated by an air carrier under section 44901
10 of such title.

11 (b) DEADLINE FOR BEGINNING.—On the date of en-
12 actment of this Act, the Secretary shall begin development
13 of a plan, acquiring and training personnel, and acquiring
14 equipment for providing the screening required by sub-
15 section (a).

16 **SEC. 2. SPECIAL RULES REGARDING FLIGHTS OF NONAIR-**
17 **CARRIER AIRCRAFT.**

18 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Transportation
19 shall take such action as may be necessary to ensure
20 that—

21 (1) no aircraft described in section 1 flies—

22 (A) within 1,500 feet of any structure or
23 building; or

24 (B) over a city with a population of
25 1,000,000 or more or any other location the
26 Secretary of Homeland Security determines ap-

1 appropriate, except on approach or departure to
2 an airport; and

3 (2) the pilot of a flight of any aircraft described
4 in section 1 remains in contact with the Federal
5 Aviation Administration regardless of the altitude of
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