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To amend title 49, United States Code, to restrict an air carrier from operating certain aircraft in all-cargo air transportation without meeting certain requirements for intrusion resistance, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 7, 2023

Mr. GARCÍA of Illinois (for himself and Mr. FITZPATRICK) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

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 “Cargo Flight Deck
5 Security Act of 2023”.

1 **SEC. 2. IMPROVED ALL-CARGO FLIGHT DECK INTEGRITY**
2 **MEASURES.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 447 of title 49, United
4 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-
5 lowing:

6 **“§ 44741. All-cargo flight deck integrity measures**

7 “(a) IN GENERAL.—It shall be unlawful for an air
8 carrier to operate a covered aircraft after January 1,
9 2027, in a covered operation unless such aircraft is
10 equipped with a cockpit door that—

11 “(1) meets the requirements of section
12 25.795(a) of title 14, Code of Federal Regulations,
13 with respect to intrusion resistance; and

14 “(2) remains locked while the aircraft is in
15 flight, as directed by the pilot in command of such
16 aircraft.

17 “(b) EFFECT OF RULEMAKING.—The requirement of
18 subsection (a) shall take effect on January 1, 2027, re-
19 gardless of whether the Administrator of the Federal Avia-
20 tion Administration has issued regulations to implement
21 such requirement.

22 “(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

23 “(1) COVERED AIRCRAFT.—The term ‘covered
24 aircraft’ means an aircraft with a cockpit door under
25 subsection (a)(1) on each new aircraft manufactured
26 after January 1, 2027, for delivery used in all-cargo

1 air transportation with a maximum certificated pay-
2 load capacity that exceeds 6,500 pounds.

3 “(2) COVERED OPERATION.—The term ‘covered
4 operation’ means an operation in all-cargo air trans-
5 portation under the provisions of part 121 of title
6 14, Code of Federal Regulations.”.

7 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The analysis for chap-
8 ter 447 of title 49, United States Code, is amended by
9 adding at the end the following:

“44741. All-cargo flight deck integrity measures.”.

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