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# S. 1865

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mrs. FEINSTEIN introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

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## 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. RECIRCULATION OF FRESH AIR IN COMMER-  
4 CIAL AIRCRAFT.**

5       Not later than 180 days after the date of the enact-  
6 ment of this Act, the Administrator of the Federal Avia-  
7 tion Administration shall issue—

8           (1) regulations which require that each aircraft  
9       operated by an air carrier or foreign air carrier to

1 provide air transportation have a ventilation system  
2 which provides in the cabin of the aircraft not less  
3 than 20 cubic feet of fresh air per minute per person  
4 in the cabin; and

5 (2) regulations relating to—

6 (A) monitoring of recirculating air filters  
7 to ensure that such filters are changed when  
8 they need to be;

9 (B) maintaining a minimum standard of  
10 humidity in the cabin of the aircraft; and

11 (C) monitoring of ozone levels in the cabin  
12 to assure compliance with current regulations.

13 **SEC. 2. REPORTING OF AIR TRAVEL RELATED ILLNESSES.**

14 (a) **TOLL FREE TELEPHONE NUMBER.**—Not later  
15 than 60 days after the date of the enactment of this Act,  
16 the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration  
17 shall establish and maintain a toll free telephone number  
18 system for receiving telephone calls to report illnesses re-  
19 lating to air travel on aircraft used to provide air transpor-  
20 tation of passengers.

21 (b) **REPORTING.**—The Administrator shall prepare,  
22 publish, and transmit to Congress a quarterly report on  
23 the telephone calls received under subsection (a). Each  
24 such report shall contain, at a minimum, the total number  
25 of calls received during the preceding calendar quarter, the

1 total number of such calls for each type of illness estab-  
2 lished by the Administrator, and the total number of such  
3 calls for each class of aircraft established by the Adminis-  
4 trator per type of illness.

5 **SEC. 3. DEFINITIONS.**

6 For purposes of this Act, the terms “air carrier”,  
7 “aircraft”, “air transportation”, and “foreign air carrier”  
8 have the meaning such terms have under section 101 of  
9 the Federal Aviation Act of 1958.

