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# S. 1867

To require the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration to conduct a study on the operation of helicopters over Long Island, New York and for other purposes.

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JULY 24, 2007

Mr. SCHUMER 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. STUDY AND REPORT ON CERTAIN HELICOPTER**  
4 **OPERATIONS.**

5 (a) STUDY AND REPORT.—Not later than 90 days  
6 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Adminis-  
7 trator of the Federal Aviation Administration shall con-  
8 duct a study and report to Congress on the helicopter op-

1 erations over Long Island, New York. The study and re-  
2 port shall include information and recommendations with  
3 respect to the following:

4 (1) The effect of helicopter traffic on residential  
5 areas including—

6 (A) an analysis of the safety issues relating  
7 to helicopter operations;

8 (B) an analysis of noise levels related to  
9 helicopter operations and ways to abate the  
10 noise levels; and

11 (C) an analysis of any other issue relating  
12 to helicopter traffic on residential areas.

13 (2) The feasibility of diverting helicopters from  
14 residential areas.

15 (3) The feasibility of creating specific air lanes  
16 for helicopter operations.

17 (4) The feasibility of establishing altitude limits  
18 for helicopter operations.

19 (b) EXCEPTIONS.—Any limitations or restrictions  
20 with respect to helicopter operations over Long Island,  
21 New York shall not apply to helicopters performing oper-  
22 ations for accredited news organizations, law enforcement,  
23 or emergency services.

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