

Dear Chair McLain and members of House Transportation,

I am writing to each of you seeking support for House Bill 4092.

I am a lawyer and have been a pilot with instrument and multi-engine ratings. I currently have an airplane based at the Aurora State Airport and have flown in and out of the airport for approximately 50 years. I have handled numerous aircraft cases, including defending pilots and representing victims of aircraft incidents and accidents at the Aurora State Airport. I have logged numerous flights all over the west coast, including Canada and Mexico. I am very familiar with the safety issues that are attendant to the various airports, short and long, that serve the aviation community.

The increased safety of flight into and from an airport with longer runways is without a doubt the most significant factor that can be provided to air travelers.

Because of the significant increase in safety of aircraft operations during takeoff and landing phases of flight, and because of the economic benefits of largely increased revenue with the same number of operations, I emphatically support this bill.

Sincerely,

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