

AMENDMENTS TO LR 38

Introduced by Government, Military and Veterans Affairs

1 1. Strike the original provisions and insert the
2 following new provisions:

3 WHEREAS, civil aviation plays a pivotal role in promoting
4 cultural exchange, business, trade, and tourism; and

5 WHEREAS, the development of international civil aviation
6 in a safe and orderly manner is the supreme cause of the
7 International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO); and

8 WHEREAS, with an excellent geographic location, Taiwan is
9 a key aviation hub for regions in northeastern and southeastern
10 Asia; and

11 WHEREAS, the Taipei Flight Information Region (FIR),
12 bordering the FIRs of Fukuoka, Manila, Hong Kong, and Shanghai,
13 includes fourteen international airways and four domestic airways,
14 providing services for more than one million flights per year; and

15 WHEREAS, each year, forty million travelers enter, leave,
16 or pass through the Taipei FIR, making Taiwan a key part of air
17 navigation in East Asia; and

18 WHEREAS, currently, more than fifty domestic and foreign
19 airlines operate flights from Taiwan to one hundred ten cities
20 in the world and the annual number of passengers on international
21 flights is approximately thirty million; and

22 WHEREAS, in 2010, the number of international passengers
23 at Taiwan's largest airport - Taoyuan International Airport -

1 ranked sixteenth worldwide while international cargo ranked ninth,
2 making Taiwan one of the busiest airspaces in the world; and

3 WHEREAS, without Taiwan's participation, the
4 international flight plans, regulations, and procedures that the
5 ICAO formulates will be incomplete and unsafe; and

6 WHEREAS, Taiwan's request to participate in the ICAO
7 is fully in line with the United States Government's policy of
8 supporting Taiwan's meaningful participation in United Nations
9 specialized agencies.

10 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE
11 HUNDRED THIRD LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, FIRST SESSION:

12 1. That the Legislature endorses Taiwan's participation
13 in the International Civil Aviation Organization as an observer.

14 2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to the
15 United States Secretary of State, the United States Secretary
16 of Transportation, each member of the Nebraska congressional
17 delegation, and the Director General of the Taipei Economic and
18 Cultural Office in Kansas City.