



# Increased Security Measures for Airports are Added to FAA Reauthorization

## The Senate Adopted Two Amendments for the Reauthorization Bill

Amendment	Vote	Summary
<p><i>“Security and Terrorism Prevention”</i></p>  <p>Sponsored by: John Thune (R) South Dakota Commerce Committee Chairman</p>	85-10 Passed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Focused on ensuring that airport employees who carry credentials are sufficiently screened and present no risk to the public and airport security.</li><li>• Provides continued authorization and further expansion of TSA Pre-Check program.</li></ul>
<p><i>“Law Enforcement Training”</i></p>  <p>Sponsored by: Martin Heinrich (D) New Mexico</p>	91-5 Passed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Authorizes training for law enforcement at airports on responding to incidents of mass casualties and active shooters.</li><li>• Increases security in areas before security checkpoints where passengers tend to congregate, like ticket counters or the line for TSA checkpoints.</li></ul>

- The Senate is hoping to pass the bill early next week, but clean energy tax breaks are holding up the deal.
- Both amendments are likely a reaction to the **recent attacks in Brussels, Belgium**.

Sources: John Reid, “Senate Adopts Airport Security Amendments to FAA Bill,” Morning Consult, April 7, 2016. National Journal Almanac.