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NBAA Expresses Concerns About FAA Reauthorization

Congressional Bill May Privatize ATC and Make Other Changes of Concern to GA

The FAA typically is funded on a multi-year basis, and the next FAA funding bill is due to be enacted by Congress later this year. In connection with this “reauthorization” process, Congressman Bill Schuster (R-PA) - Chair of the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee - is expected to propose the privatization of the FAA’s air traffic control responsibilities. The NBAA is concerned that this and other elements of his reauthorization bill may have negative consequences for general and business aviation, including by stripping Congress of its oversight responsibilities; imposing new user fees - possibly on a per-flight basis; and creating a self-interested/appointed board to make funding and access decisions.



Ed Bolen, NBAA’s President and CEO, recently outlined the association’s concerns about the reauthorization process at the 2015 NATA Aviation Business Conference on Capitol Hill - see - <http://www.nbaa.org/advocacy/issues/modernization/20150618-at-national-air-transportation-association-event-bolen-outlines-concerns-with-congressmans-federal-aviation-administration-proposals.php>. GWBAA will be monitoring developments alongside NBAA and will relay information about what members can do to voice their concerns to their representatives as the process moves forward.

Eleventh Annual GWBAA Golf Tournament - September 10, 2015

1757 Registration for this year's charitable golf tournament – to be held on September 10, 2015 at the 1757 Golf Club in Dulles, Virginia– is now open. For more information, or to register or sponsor, please visit <http://www.planmygolfevent.com/27362-2015gwbaagolf>.
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Regional News Round-Up

AOPA held its second annual homecoming fly-in at **Frederick Municipal Airport** on June 6.

An Army-operated Cessna UC-35A ran off the runway at **Baltimore-Washington International Airport** on May 26. As always, fly safely!

Upcoming Events

June 25: International Aviation Club and Aviation Week presentation of the L. Welch Pogue Lifetime Achievement Award to Paul Mifsud. For more information, please visit <http://www.iacwashington.org/event-1923951>.

July 8: Aero Club luncheon featuring Peggy Gilligan, FAA Associate Administrator for Aviation Safety, at the Capital Hilton. For more information, please visit <http://www.aeroclub.org/events/>.

July 14: National Aeronautic Association summer awards ceremony at National Airport. For more information, please visit <https://naa.aero/events/events/upcoming-events?eventID=1091>.

July 15: National Aeronautic Association Henderson Trophy luncheon at the Crystal Gateway Marriott. For more information, please visit <https://naa.aero/events/events/upcoming-events?eventID=1092>.

August 18-21: Virginia Airport Operators Council conference in Hot Springs. For more information, please visit <http://www.vaoc.org>.

September 3: Aero Club luncheon featuring David McCullough, author of "The Wright Brothers," at the Capital Hilton. For more information, please visit <http://www.aeroclub.org/events/>.

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