



Legislative Update: H.R. 2591 The Mental Health in Aviation Act of 2025 Makes Progress

On Wednesday, the House Transportation and Infrastructure (T&I) Committee held a markup of The Mental Health in Aviation Act of 2025 (H.R. 2591). This bill would ensure that the careers of aviation safety professionals are not adversely affected when they take proactive steps to improve their physical, mental, and emotional health.

NATCA worked closely with the bill's authors to draft the legislative language as well as Committee staff on technical amendments to the bill. Prior to the markup, NATCA's legislative activists and Government Affairs staff contacted each member of the T&I Committee, urging their support during the markup process.

H.R. 2591 successfully passed through the markup by a voice vote. A recorded vote was not requested, indicating widespread, bipartisan support for this legislation. NATCA's Legislative Team will continue to work with our allies on Capitol Hill to secure additional cosponsors as well as a companion bill in the Senate.

NATCA thanks Reps. Sean Casten (Ill.-6), Pete Stauber (Minn.-8), Rick Larsen (Wash.-2), and Tracey Mann (Kan-1), along with 24 additional cosponsors, for introducing and supporting this important bipartisan legislation, which requires the FAA to update its policies by removing barriers that prevent controllers and other aviation safety professionals from seeking medical help for mental health conditions and symptoms. It also would improve access to care and expedite the return-to-work process for those who seek this type of care.

You can learn more about the bill [here](#).

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If you or someone you know is facing mental health challenges, you are not alone. Please reach out to [CISM](#), [EAP](#), or call 988 for support.

NATCA President Nick Daniels Shares the Controller Perspective During DOT Industry Days

On June 10, NATCA President Nick Daniels joined aviation industry stakeholders at the Department of Transportation's (DOT) Industry Days event. Daniels participated in a discussion panel moderated by Rebecca Guy, the Chief Technology Officer (acting) in the Air Traffic Organization of the Federal Aviation Administration. Other panel members included National Business Aviation Association President and CEO Ed Bolen, Airlines for America Senior Vice President for Legislative and Regulatory Policy Sharon Pinkerton, and PASS (Professional Aviation Safety Specialists, AFL-CIO) President David Spero.

This event was organized in support of the DOT's initiative to supercharge air traffic control and build a brand new ATC system. The program for the event sought to engage private sector businesses in the modernization and hiring efforts and encourage companies to support the plan. Giving air traffic controllers and aviation safety workers a seat at the table is essential for guaranteeing the success of this ambitious undertaking.



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NATCA Wishes You a Happy Father's Day

Happy Father's Day from your NATCA family! Thank you to all the dads, caretakers, and father figures in our Union that sacrifice time away from their own loved ones to keep the National Airspace safe. Because of you, we have so much to celebrate on Father's Day and every day.

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