

**HOUSE SUMMARY OF SENATE AMENDMENTS**

**HB 730**

**2026 Regular Session**

**Crews**

AIRCRAFT/AVIATION: Provides relative to the use of automatic dependent surveillance-broadcast systems

**Synopsis of Senate Amendments**

1. Modifies the definition of "aircraft" for purposes of proposed law to apply to those aircraft with a maximum certificated takeoff weight of 12,499 pounds or less and operated pursuant to federal law (14 CFR Part 91 or 14 CFR Part 141).

**Digest of Bill as Finally Passed by Senate**

Present law authorizes airport districts, airport authorities, and other political subdivisions, including the N.O. Aviation Bd., to adopt regulations, set charges, fees, and tolls, enforce payment, and fix penalties for violations at airports or landing fields, provided that such authority may not be used to discriminate against any legitimate aviation interest.

Proposed law retains present law and adds an exemption under proposed law.

Proposed law provides that no person or entity may use information broadcast or collected by automatic dependent surveillance–broadcast (ADS-B) systems as a basis for calculating, generating, or collecting fees or taxes from aircraft owners or operators for aircraft operating within the geographic boundaries of the state.

Proposed law defines "aircraft" for purposes of proposed law as having the same meaning as provided in R.S. 2:1, except the aircraft must have a maximum certificated takeoff weight of 12,499 or less and be operated under federal law (14 CFR Part 91 or 14 CFR Part 141).

Proposed law defines "automatic dependent surveillance–broadcast" as an advanced aviation surveillance technology that combines an aircraft's position with ground infrastructure to create an accurate surveillance interface between an aircraft and air traffic control, and consists of two services, ADS-B In and ADS-B Out, which can provide information such as an aircraft's global positioning system location, altitude, ground speed, and other data to ground stations and other aircraft, as well as weather and traffic information to aircraft operators.

Proposed law requires a penalty for any violation of proposed law of not more than \$500 per each occurrence.

Present law specifies that the provisions of present law do not affect the provisions of the England Economic and Industrial Development District (R.S. 33:130.351 through 130.359).

Proposed law retains present law.

(Amends R.S. 2:135.1(A)(2) and (P); Adds R.S. 2:135.1(Q))