

March 10, 2016
M16-011

To: **SPEEA Council Delegates**
From: **SPEEA Legislative & Public Affairs Committee**
Subject: **PRESUBMITTED NEW BUSINESS: Motion for proposed FAA Re-Authorization Bill**

Background

SPEEA L&PA Committee Charter:

Analyzes pending federal legislation and politician's and political candidates' positions as they relate to SPEEA's goals and objectives. Also responsible for compliance with SPEEA Policy Manual Section on legislative actions and endorsements.

The FAA Re-authorization Bill, last fully passed in 2012, is likely to be taken up during 2016 by Congress. This bill will provide the funding and structure for the FAA for the next several years.

The FAA Re-authorization bills in the past have included requirements for studies and reports to be presented and/or provided to congress by the FAA. These reports/studies carry the weight of congress in requirements to be performed and reported.

SPEEA wishes to ensure the safety, conformity, and uniformity of all aircraft designed by our members and others. By requiring the FAA to do an internal review of all inspection offices/job functions related to safety, compliance, certification, and maintenance, this will ensure that a full and consistent level of overview of all aspects of aircraft regulation at all locations where aircraft are manufactured and serviced will be achieved.

MIDO: Manufacturing Inspection District Offices

ACO: Aircraft Certification Offices

FBO: Fixed Base Operator

Motion

It is moved: **The SPEEA Council approves legislative efforts that support ensuring that all compliance finders/auditors/inspectors at MIDO, ACO, FBO, and other sub-organizations and all associated offices, national and international, meet common and required standards for knowledge, skills, and experience.**

Pro: Added review of FAA offices identify weaknesses and inconsistencies in enforcement, leading to improved oversight of facilities not working to the same high standards as SPEEA members.

Con: Added review of FAA offices creates too much oversight, leading to a reduction in staff/abilities.

Note: Per SPEEA Policy Section V Subsection A, Paragraph 5 "Passage or adoption of any SPEEA legislative or public issues proposal shall be by published ballot and require:

a) Total affirmative vote cast must be at least a simple majority of the total number of seated Council Representatives. Council Representatives who are employed beyond 50 statute miles from the meeting and are unable to attend are excluded from the total number required."