



PASS Statement on Rep. Shuster Abandoning Plans for ATC Privatization

Yesterday, House Transportation & Infrastructure Committee Chairman Bill Shuster (R-Pa.) [announced](#) he would abandon his efforts to privatize the nation's air traffic control system by removing it from the control of the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA). Mike Perrone, national president of the Professional Aviation Safety Specialists, AFL-CIO (PASS), released the following statement in response:

“FAA employees, millions of airline passengers, and the aviation industry as a whole, deserve bipartisan solutions when crafting ways to reform and improve the agency. PASS is proud to have fought alongside our allies for years against dangerous efforts to privatize the air traffic control system. We look forward to working together with lawmakers from either party to find real solutions to securing the long-term and stable funding needed to continue the modernization of the largest, safest and most complex aviation system in the world.”

PASS represents more than 11,000 employees of the FAA and the Department of Defense who install, maintain, support and certify air traffic control and national defense equipment, inspect and oversee the commercial and general aviation industries, develop flight procedures and perform quality analyses of the aviation systems.

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