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Docket Management System
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RE: Docket No. FAA-2002-11666 Amendment No. 61-107 RIN 2120-AH76
Final Rule – “Picture Identification Requirements”

The Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association (AOPA), representing more than 388,000 aircraft owners and pilots, supports the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and the Department of Transportation acting favorably on AOPA’s photo identification rulemaking petition.

This new rule addresses the issue raised by AOPA in its petition for rulemaking concerning the requirement to carry picture identification. Publishing this rule as a “direct final rule” was the appropriate action to take to positively address this particular security issue.

Sincerely,

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