

ALS ASSOCIATION

Community Conversation: Making Air Travel Accessible



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MAKING ALS LIVABLE FOR EVERYONE, EVERYWHERE, UNTIL WE FIND A CURE

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The Hurdles of Travelling with ALS

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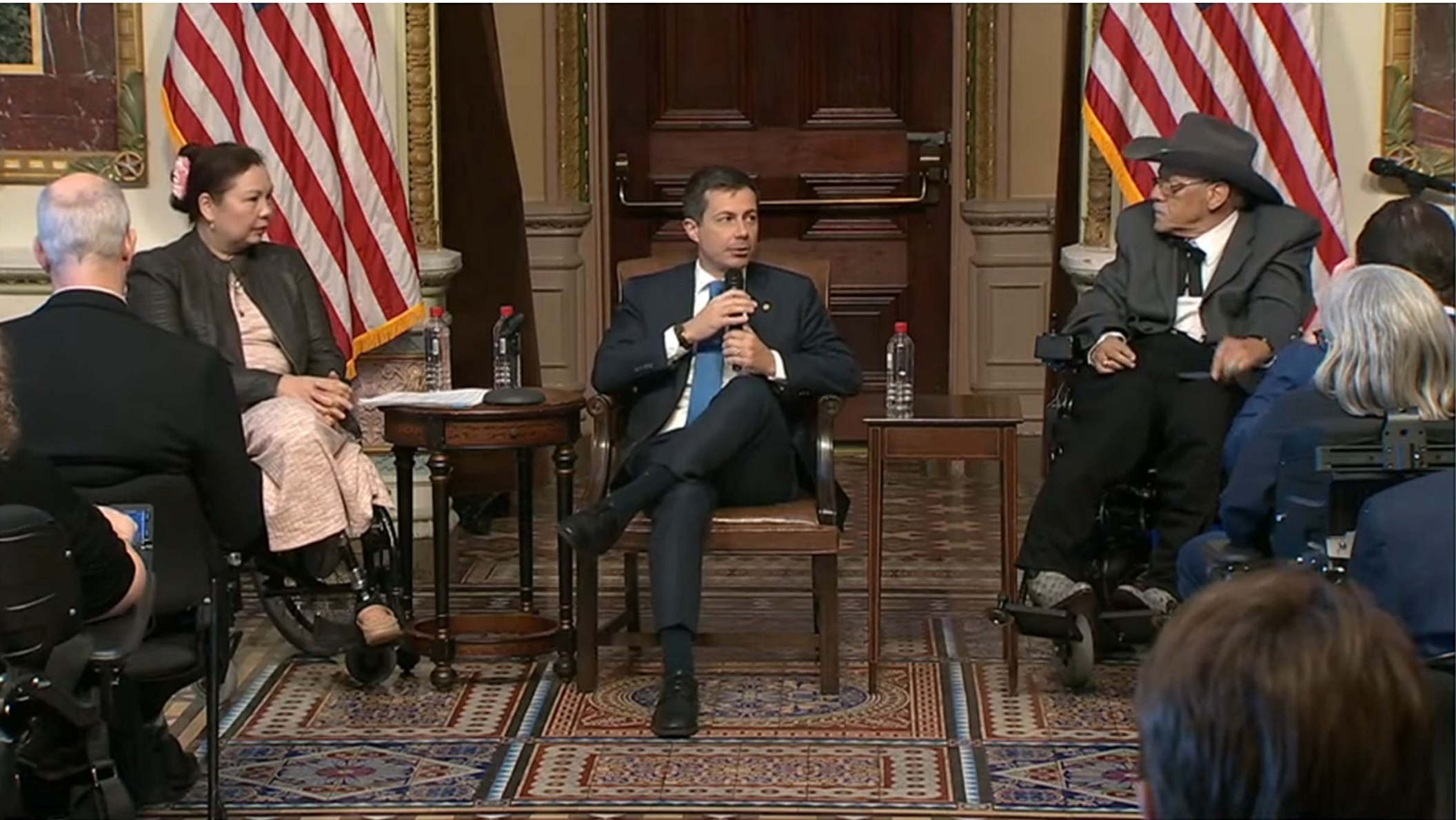
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Discussion with a Problem Solver

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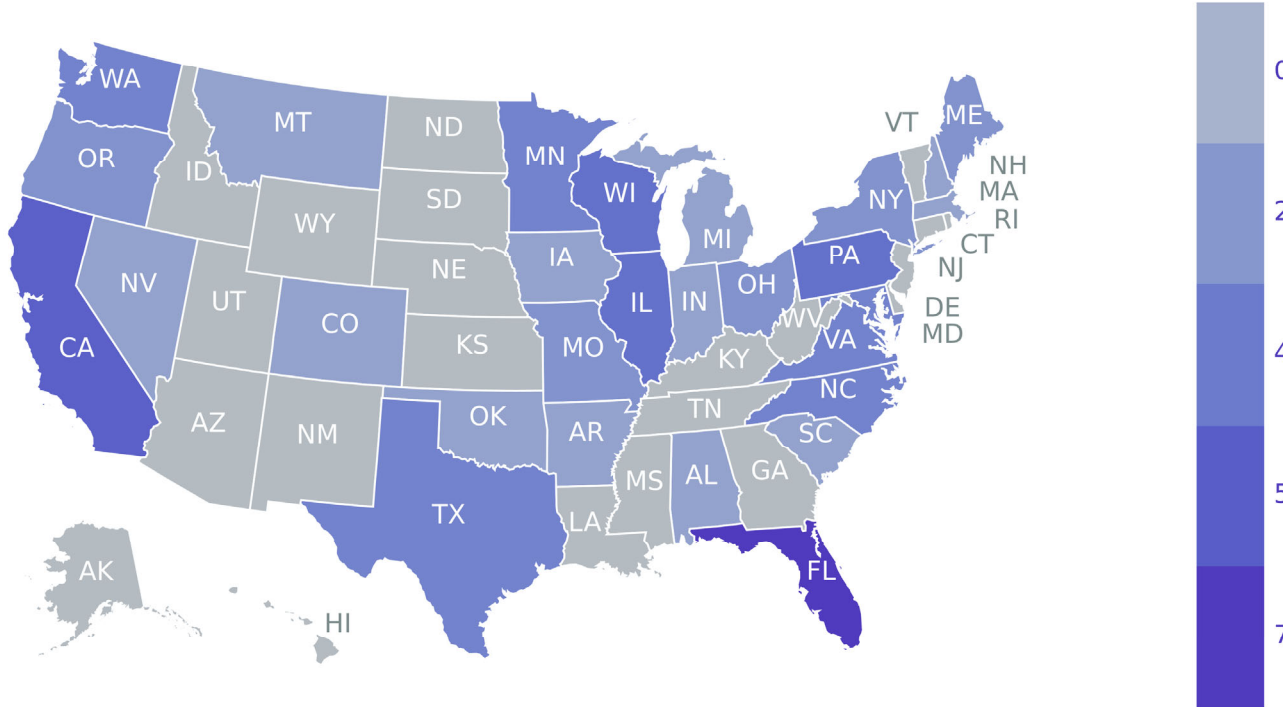
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The U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) released proposed changes to the Air Carrier Access Act rules that would improve the air travel experience for people living with ALS and they want your feedback!

The ALS Association will share your comments directly with the DOT using your first name, city, and state to let them know why better training is needed to stop injuries and wheelchair damage, and why you need your assistive device fixed or replaced as soon as possible if it's damaged or lost.

Please share your flight nightmares in the comment box and we will deliver them directly to the DOT by **Thursday, May 9.**

Your comments could answer one or more of the following the questions on why this DOT proposed rule is needed for people living with ALS:

- **Has your wheelchair ever been lost or damaged while traveling?**
- **Have you experienced challenges getting your device repaired?**
- **Do you ever fly to receive medical treatment? Have flight issues ever impacted your treatment?**
- **Have you ever been in a situation where airline employees needed additional training for assisting a person living with ALS or their battery-powered assistive devices?**

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QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

*Questions After we wrap?
Email us! advocacy@als.org*



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