



**Statement of The American Association of Immunologists  
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“The American Association of Immunologists (AAI) is pleased to endorse S.2888, the U.S. Air Travel Public Safety Act. As the COVID-19 pandemic remains a serious public health emergency, we must do all that we can to keep the American people safe. Throughout the pandemic, AAI has advocated for policies and legislation that are based on the fundamental science of SARS-CoV-2 and a rigorous understanding of the disease it causes. This important legislation would help ensure that passengers on domestic flights, as well as the airports where they, flight crews, and other airport workers necessarily gather, are as safe as possible. Once enacted, this law would also provide a powerful incentive for Americans to get vaccinated, which dramatically reduces the risk of hospitalization and death from COVID-19, and helps to protect those individuals, like young children, who cannot get vaccinated at this time.”