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FAA Challenges Local Airports' Ability to Limit Aircraft Size

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The U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia sided with the Federal Aviation Administration in its dispute with the city of Santa Monica, California, over an ordinance prohibiting large business jets from landing at Santa Monica Municipal Airport. This article examines the court's approach, which leaves unresolved the question of federal preemption regarding access to city-owned airports.

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