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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 29, 2023

Mr. BOST (for himself, Ms. CRAIG, Mr. MEUSER, Mr. NEHLS, Mr. SWALWELL, Ms. MACE, Mr. STAUBER, and Mr. BABIN) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

DECEMBER 19, 2024

Additional sponsors: Mr. GARAMENDI, Mr. CRAWFORD, Ms. TITUS, Mr. GOODEN of Texas, Ms. PORTER, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, Mr. MOLINARO, Mr. LAHOOD, Ms. MALLIOTAKIS, Mr. PHILLIPS, Mr. MANN, Mr. YAKYM, Mr. STANTON, Mr. CLEAVER, Mr. VAN ORDEN, Ms. BROWNLEY, Mr. ALLRED, Mr. STEWART, Mrs. GONZÁLEZ-COLÓN, Mr. STEIL, Mr. FINSTAD, Mr. MRVAN, Ms. WEXTON, Ms. LEE of Nevada, Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania, Mr. GUEST, Mr. PAPPAS, Mrs. HOUCHIN, Mr. NICKEL, Ms. MANNING, Mr. COHEN, Mr. NUNN of Iowa, Mr. GOLDEN of Maine, Ms. HAGEMAN, Ms. CARAVEO, Mr. JACKSON of North Carolina, Mr. ALFORD, Mr. DAVIS of North Carolina, Ms. ROSS, Mr. CUELLAR, Ms. SCHOLTEN, Mr. BUCSHON, Mr. CARBAJAL, Mrs. KIM of California, Mr. MAGAZINER, and Ms. SPANBERGER

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[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on March 29, 2023]

# **A BILL**

To amend title 23, United States Code, to establish a competitive grant program for projects for commercial motor vehicle parking, and for other purposes.

1        *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4        *This Act may be cited as the “Truck Parking Safety*  
5 *Improvement Act”.*

6 **SEC. 2. SENSE OF CONGRESS.**

7        *It is the sense of Congress that it should be a national*  
8 *priority to address the shortage of parking for commercial*  
9 *motor vehicles on the Federal-aid highway system to im-*  
10 *prove highway safety.*

11 **SEC. 3. PARKING FOR COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLES.**

12        *(a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 1 of title 23, United States*  
13 *Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:*

14 **“§ 180. Parking for commercial motor vehicles**

15        *“(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:*

16                *“(1) COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLE.—The term*  
17 *‘commercial motor vehicle’ has the meaning given the*  
18 *term in section 31132 of title 49.*

19                *“(2) SAFETY REST AREA.—The term ‘safety rest*  
20 *area’ has the meaning given the term in section*  
21 *120(c)(1).*

22        *“(b) GRANT AUTHORITY.—Subject to the availability*  
23 *of funds, the Secretary shall make grants, on a competitive*  
24 *basis, to eligible entities for projects to provide public park-*

1 *ing for commercial motor vehicles and improve the safety*  
2 *of commercial motor vehicle drivers.*

3 “(c) *ELIGIBLE ENTITIES.*—

4 “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—*An entity eligible to receive*  
5 *a grant under this section is any of the following:*

6 “(A) *A State.*

7 “(B) *A metropolitan planning organization.*

8 “(C) *A unit of local government.*

9 “(D) *A political subdivision of a State or*  
10 *local government carrying out responsibilities re-*  
11 *lating to commercial motor vehicle parking.*

12 “(E) *A Tribal government or a consortium*  
13 *of Tribal governments.*

14 “(F) *A multistate or multijurisdictional*  
15 *group of entities described in subparagraphs (A)*  
16 *through (E).*

17 “(2) *PRIVATE SECTOR PARTICIPATION.*—*An eli-*  
18 *gible entity that receives a grant under this section*  
19 *may partner with a private entity to carry out an el-*  
20 *igible project under this section.*

21 “(d) *ELIGIBLE PROJECTS.*—

22 “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—*An entity may use a grant*  
23 *provided under this section for a project described in*  
24 *paragraph (2) that is on—*

25 “(A) *a Federal-aid highway; or*

1           “(B) a facility with reasonable access (as  
2           described in section 658.19 of title 23, Code of  
3           Federal Regulations (or a successor regulation))  
4           to—

5                     “(i) a Federal-aid highway; or

6                     “(ii) a freight facility.

7           “(2) *PROJECTS DESCRIBED.*—A project referred  
8           to in paragraph (1) is a project—

9                     “(A) to construct a safety rest area that in-  
10           cludes parking for commercial motor vehicles;

11                    “(B) to construct additional commercial  
12           motor vehicle parking capacity—

13                    “(i) adjacent to a private commercial  
14           truck stop or travel plaza;

15                    “(ii) within the boundaries of, or adja-  
16           cent to, a publicly owned freight facility,  
17           including a port terminal operated by a  
18           public authority;

19                    “(iii) at an existing facility, including  
20           an inspection or weigh station and a park-  
21           and-ride location; or

22                    “(iv) at another suitable facility, as de-  
23           termined by the eligible entity, in concur-  
24           rence with the Secretary;

1           “(C) to reopen an existing weigh station,  
2           safety rest area, park-and-ride facility, or other  
3           government-owned facility, that is not in use, for  
4           commercial motor vehicle parking;

5           “(D) to construct or make capital improve-  
6           ments to an existing public commercial motor  
7           vehicle parking facility to expand parking use  
8           and availability, including at a seasonal facil-  
9           ity;

10           “(E) to identify, promote, and manage the  
11           availability of publicly and privately provided  
12           commercial motor vehicle parking, such as  
13           through the use of intelligent transportation sys-  
14           tems;

15           “(F) to improve the personal safety of com-  
16           mercial motor vehicle drivers at a parking facil-  
17           ity as part of a project described in subpara-  
18           graphs (A) through (D); or

19           “(G) to improve a parking facility, includ-  
20           ing through truck stop electrification systems (as  
21           defined in section 101(a)), as part of a project  
22           described in subparagraphs (A) through (D).

23           “(e) APPLICATION.—To be eligible to receive a grant  
24           under this section, an eligible entity shall submit to the Sec-  
25           retary an application at such time, in such manner, and

1 *containing such information as the Secretary may require,*  
2 *including—*

3 *“(1) a description of the proposed project; and*

4 *“(2) any other information that the Secretary*  
5 *determines to be necessary.*

6 *“(f) SELECTION CRITERIA.—The Secretary may select*  
7 *a project to receive a grant under this section only if the*  
8 *Secretary determines that—*

9 *“(1) there is a shortage of commercial motor ve-*  
10 *hicle parking capacity in the corridor in which the*  
11 *project is located;*

12 *“(2) the eligible entity has consulted with motor*  
13 *carriers, commercial motor vehicle drivers, public*  
14 *safety officials, and private providers of commercial*  
15 *motor vehicle parking regarding the project;*

16 *“(3) the project will likely—*

17 *“(A) increase the availability or utilization*  
18 *of commercial motor vehicle parking;*

19 *“(B) facilitate the efficient movement of*  
20 *freight; or*

21 *“(C) improve highway safety, traffic conges-*  
22 *tion, and air quality; and*

23 *“(4) the eligible entity demonstrates the ability*  
24 *to provide for the maintenance and operation of the*  
25 *facility.*

1       “(g) *ADDITIONAL CONSIDERATION.*—*To the maximum*  
2 *extent practicable, the Secretary shall select projects to re-*  
3 *ceive grants under the program in a manner that maxi-*  
4 *mizes the geographic dispersion of new commercial motor*  
5 *vehicle parking capacity across the United States.*

6       “(h) *USE OF FUNDS.*—

7               “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—*An eligible entity may use a*  
8 *grant under this section for—*

9                       “(A) *development phase activities, including*  
10 *planning, feasibility analysis, benefit-cost anal-*  
11 *ysis, environmental review, preliminary engi-*  
12 *neering and design work, and other*  
13 *preconstruction activities necessary to advance a*  
14 *project under this section; and*

15                       “(B) *construction and operational improve-*  
16 *ments.*

17               “(2) *LIMITATIONS.*—

18                       “(A) *IN GENERAL.*—*An eligible entity may*  
19 *use not more than 25 percent of the amount of*  
20 *a grant under this section for activities described*  
21 *in paragraph (1)(A).*

22                       “(B) *EXISTING FACILITIES.*—

23                               “(i) *IN GENERAL.*—*Except as provided*  
24 *in clause (ii), not more than 10 percent of*  
25 *the amounts made available for each fiscal*



1           year for grants under this section may be  
2           used for projects described in subsection  
3           (d)(2)(E) that solely identify, promote, and  
4           manage the availability of existing commer-  
5           cial motor vehicle parking.

6           “(ii) *EXCEPTION.*—Clause (i) shall not  
7           apply to a project described in subsection  
8           (d)(2)(E) that is part of a project to expand  
9           commercial motor vehicle parking capacity.

10          “(3) *PROHIBITION.*—

11           “(A) *IN GENERAL.*—Amounts made avail-  
12           able to carry out this section shall not be used  
13           for the construction, improvement, or develop-  
14           ment phase activities directly related to the con-  
15           struction, improvement, or reopening of charging  
16           or fueling infrastructure for the propulsion of a  
17           vehicle, including a commercial motor vehicle.

18           “(B) *SAVINGS PROVISION.*—Nothing in this  
19           paragraph limits the use of funds other than  
20           funds made available to carry out this section.

21          “(i) *REQUIREMENTS.*—

22           “(1) *PUBLICLY ACCESSIBLE PARKING.*—Commer-  
23           cial motor vehicle parking constructed, reopened, or  
24           improved with funds from a grant under this section

1       *shall be open and accessible to all commercial motor*  
2       *vehicle drivers.*

3               “(2) *PROHIBITION ON CHARGING FEES.*—No fee  
4       *may be charged by an eligible entity to a commercial*  
5       *motor vehicle driver to gain access to parking con-*  
6       *structed, reopened, or improved with a grant under*  
7       *this section.*

8               “(3) *HUMAN TRAFFICKING NOTICE.*—An entity  
9       *carrying out a project to construct, reopen, or im-*  
10       *prove a parking facility with a grant under this sec-*  
11       *tion shall ensure that a notice containing information*  
12       *about human trafficking is prominently displayed in*  
13       *such facility.*

14               “(4) *SUICIDE PREVENTION NOTICE.*—An entity  
15       *carrying out a project to construct, reopen, or im-*  
16       *prove a parking facility with a grant under this sec-*  
17       *tion shall ensure that a notice containing information*  
18       *about suicide prevention, including the 988 suicide*  
19       *hotline, is prominently displayed in such facility.*

20               “(j) *TREATMENT OF PROJECTS.*—Notwithstanding  
21       *any other provision of law, a project carried out under this*  
22       *section shall be treated as a project on a Federal-aid high-*  
23       *way under this chapter.*

24               “(k) *PERIOD OF AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS.*—Amounts  
25       *made available for projects under this section shall remain*

1 *available for a period of 3 years after the last day of the*  
 2 *fiscal year in which the amounts are made available.*

3       “(l) *RESTRICTION.*—*No eligible entity may use emi-*  
 4 *nent domain for any project funded under this section.*”.

5       “(b) *CLERICAL AMENDMENT.*—*The analysis for chapter*  
 6 *1 of title 23, United States Code, is amended by adding*  
 7 *at the end the following:*

*“180. Parking for commercial motor vehicles.”.*

8 **SEC. 4. SURVEY AND COMPARATIVE ASSESSMENT.**

9       “(a) *IN GENERAL.*—*Not later than 4 years after the*  
 10 *date of enactment of this Act, and every 2 years thereafter,*  
 11 *the Secretary of Transportation, in consultation with ap-*  
 12 *propriate State motor carrier safety personnel, motor car-*  
 13 *riers, State departments of transportation, and private pro-*  
 14 *viders of commercial motor vehicle parking, shall submit*  
 15 *to the Committee on Environment and Public Works of the*  
 16 *Senate and the Committee on Transportation and Infra-*  
 17 *structure of the House of Representatives a report that—*

18               (1) *evaluates the availability of adequate park-*  
 19 *ing and rest facilities, taking into account both pri-*  
 20 *vate and public facilities, for commercial motor vehi-*  
 21 *cles engaged in interstate transportation;*

22               (2) *evaluates the effectiveness of the projects*  
 23 *funded under section 180 of title 23, United States*  
 24 *Code, in improving access to commercial motor vehi-*  
 25 *cle parking;*

1           (3) *evaluates the ability of eligible entities that*  
2           *received a grant under section 180 of title 23, United*  
3           *States Code, to sustain the operation of parking fa-*  
4           *ilities constructed with funds provided under that*  
5           *section; and*

6           (4) *reports on the progress being made to provide*  
7           *adequate commercial motor vehicle parking facilities.*

8           (b) *RESULTS.—The Secretary shall make the reports*  
9           *under subsection (a) available to the public on the website*  
10          *of the Department of Transportation.*

11          (c) *ALIGNMENT OF REPORTS.—In carrying out this*  
12          *section, the Secretary shall—*

13               (1) *consider the results of the commercial motor*  
14               *vehicle parking facilities assessments of States under*  
15               *subsection (f) of section 70202 of title 49, United*  
16               *States Code; and*

17               (2) *seek to align the contents of the reports under*  
18               *subsection (a) and the submission and publication of*  
19               *those reports with the State freight plans developed*  
20               *and updated under that section.*

21          **SEC. 5. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

22               *There are authorized to be appropriated to the Sec-*  
23               *retary of Transportation for projects for commercial motor*  
24               *vehicle parking under section 180 of title 23, United States*  
25               *Code—*

- 1           (1) \$175,000,000 for fiscal year 2024;
- 2           (2) \$260,000,000 for fiscal year 2025; and
- 3           (3) \$320,000,000 for fiscal year 2026.

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