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Public Transportation Terrorism Prevention Act of 2004

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Shelby, Richard C. [R-AL]

Party: Democratic • **State:** AL • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs Committee	Senate	Reported Original Measure	May 20, 2004

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
108 HR 5082	Related bill	Oct 6, 2004: Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 463.
108 S 2884	Related bill	Oct 4, 2004: Held at the desk.

Public Transportation Terrorism Prevention Act of 2004 - Directs the Secretary of Transportation to enter into a memorandum of understanding with the Secretary of Homeland Security (Secretary) to define and clarify the respective public transportation security roles and responsibilities of the Department of Transportation (DOT) and the Department of Homeland Security (DHS). Requires DOT's Federal Transit Administration to submit all public transportation security assessments to DHS and the Secretary to review and augment such assessments.

Requires the Secretary to: (1) establish security improvement priorities and to update them annually; (2) conduct assessments of all transit agencies considered to be at greatest risk of a terrorist attack, of local bus-only public transportation systems, and of selected rural transportation systems; and (3) use information collected to establish the process for developing security guidelines.

Directs the Secretary to award grants directly to public transportation agencies for allowable capital security improvements (including tunnel and perimeter protection systems and surveillance and communications equipment); and (2) operational security improvements (including security training for transit employees, drills, public awareness campaigns, and canine patrols for chemical, biological, or explosives detection).

Directs the Secretary to: (1) ensure that DOT receives appropriate and timely notification of all credible terrorist threats against U.S. public transportation assets; and (2) award grants for research, development, and demonstration of technologies and methods to reduce and deter terrorist threats or mitigate damages resulting from such attacks. Requires DHS to fund the reasonable costs of an Information Sharing and Analysis Center for Public Transportation.

Actions Timeline

- **May 20, 2004:** Introduced in Senate
- **May 20, 2004:** Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. Original measure reported to Senate by Senator Shelby. Without written report.
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- **May 20, 2004:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 521.
- **May 6, 2004:** Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs ordered to be reported an original measure.