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Surface Transportation Safety Improvement Act of 2005

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Sponsor

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Party: Republican • **State:** AK • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Reported Original Measure	Jul 29, 2005

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Surface Transportation Safety Improvement Act of 2005 - Amends federal transportation law to authorize appropriations from the Highway Trust Fund (HTF) for FY2006-FY2009 for: (1) administrative expenses of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA); and (2) FMCSA grant programs.

Authorizes appropriations from the HTF for FY2006-FY2009 for grants to states for commercial motor carrier safety.

Increases civil penalties for out-of-service, maximum hours of service, and recordkeeping and reporting violations by motor carriers and their employees.

Establishes: (1) a motor carrier research and technology program; and (2) a program to ensure the safety of intermodal equipment used to transport intermodal containers.

Unified Carrier Registration Act of 2005 - Revises federal motor carrier requirements to require a registered motor carrier (except a motor private carrier) to file a bond with the Secretary of Transportation (Secretary).

Establishes: (1) an on-line Federal Unified Carrier Registration System; (2) a Unified Carrier Registration Agreement (UCR Agreement) to govern the collection and distribution of registration and financial responsibility information provided and fees paid by motor carriers and others; and (3) a Unified Carrier Registration Plan to implement and administer the UCR Agreement.

Authorizes the Secretary to make grants to states for commercial driver's license program improvements.

Highway and Vehicular Safety Reauthorization Act of 2005 - Authorizes appropriations from the HTF for FY2006-FY2009 for the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) for highway safety programs (including highway safety research and outreach programs).

Sets forth certain vehicle safety-related requirements regarding: (1) vehicle rollover prevention and crash mitigation; (2) tire aging research; and (3) safety belt use technology.

Hazardous Material Transportation Safety and Security Reauthorization Act of 2005 - Expands the scope of federal safe transportation of hazardous materials (hazmat) regulations to include persons who: (1) design or inspect a package for use in transporting hazardous material in commerce; (2) prepare or accept hazardous material for transportation in commerce; (3) are responsible for the safety of transporting it; (4) certify compliance with any requirement under such regulations; or (5) misrepresent whether they are engaged in such activities.

Transfers from the Secretary to the Secretary of Homeland Security authority for the issuance of hazmat licenses for the transportation of hazardous materials.

Sets forth various requirements governing the safe transportation of hazardous materials.

Sanitary Food Transportation Act of 2005 - Amends the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services (HHS) to require shippers, motor vehicle or rail vehicle carriers, receivers, and other persons engaged in the transportation of food to use sanitary transportation practices prescribed by the Secretary of HHS to avoid adulteration.

Requires the Secretary to: (1) establish transportation safety inspection procedures to identify suspected incidents of

contamination or adulteration of food, meat, and poultry products; and (2) train Department of Transportation (DOT) personnel in the appropriate use of the procedures.

Household Goods Mover Oversight Enforcement and Reform Act of 2005 - Amends federal transportation law to require a carrier providing transportation for a shipment of household goods to give up possession of the household goods transported at the destination upon payment of the transportation charges.

Provides for state enforcement of federal laws and regulations with respect to the transportation of household goods.

Establishes a consumer complaint system and data base with respect to shipper complaints that relate to motor carrier transportation of household goods.

Sportfishing and Recreational Boating Safety Act of 2005 - Amends the Dingell-Johnson Sport Fish Restoration Act to authorize appropriations from the Sport Fish Restoration and Boating Trust Fund (previously the Sport Fish Restoration Account) for each fiscal year available during the succeeding fiscal years.

Earmarks an amount from the Account for FY2005 and each subsequent fiscal year for sport fish restoration projects under the multistate conservation grant program. Sets forth certain expenditures from the Boating Safety Account for FY2006-FY2010.

Prescribes maintenance of effort requirements for state recreational boating safety programs.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 29, 2005:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jul 29, 2005:** Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Original measure reported to Senate by Senator Stevens. With written report No. 109-120.
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- **Apr 14, 2005:** Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation ordered to be reported an original measure.