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HR 409

To amend title 23, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Transportation to establish national tunnel inspection standards for the proper safety inspection and evaluation of all highway tunnels, and for other purposes.

Congress: 110 (2007–2009, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Transportation and Public Works

Introduced: Jan 11, 2007

Current Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public

Works.

Latest Action: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

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Sponsor

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Rep. Gonzalez, Charles A. [D-TX-20]	D · TX		Feb 13, 2007
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Rep. Tauscher, Ellen O. [D-CA-10]	D · CA		Feb 13, 2007

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Environment and Public Works Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jan 23, 2008
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Discharged from	Aug 2, 2007

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Transportation and Public Works

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jan 22, 2008)

Amends federal highway law to direct the Secretary of Transportation (Secretary) to establish: (1) a national highway tunnel inspection program, including standards for the proper safety inspection and evaluation of all highway tunnels; (2) a training and certification program for highway tunnel inspectors; and (3) a national inventory of highway tunnels. Provides for funding.

Includes tunnel construction, rehabilitation, and operational improvements (including safety inspection of such tunnels) as eligible projects under the federal surface transportation program.

Actions Timeline

- Jan 23, 2008: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
- Jan 22, 2008: Mr. DeFazio moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- Jan 22, 2008: Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H365-367)
- Jan 22, 2008: DEBATE The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 409.
- Jan 22, 2008: Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H365)
- Jan 22, 2008: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H365)
- Jan 22, 2008: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- Jan 22, 2008: The title of the measure was amended. Agreed to without objection.
- Nov 15, 2007: Reported by the Committee on Transportation. H. Rept. 110-454.
- Nov 15, 2007: Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 278.
- Aug 2, 2007: Subcommittee on Highways and Transit Discharged.
- Aug 2, 2007: Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- Aug 2, 2007: Ordered to be Reported by Voice Vote.
- Jan 12, 2007: Referred to the Subcommittee on Highways and Transit.
- Jan 11, 2007: Introduced in House
- Jan 11, 2007: Referred to the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.