

HR 1122

Freight FOCUS Act of 2011

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Rules Committee	House	Referred To	Mar 16, 2011
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 17, 2011
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	Mar 16, 2011

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Freight is the Future Of Commerce in the United States Act of 2011 or Freight FOCUS Act of 2011 - Establishes within the Office of the Secretary of Transportation (DOT) an Office of Freight Planning and Development, which shall be headed by an Assistant Secretary for Freight Planning and Development.

Directs the Assistant Secretary to submit to Congress and publish on DOT's website a national freight plan for supporting freight movement for the next 20 years.

Directs the Secretary to establish a Freight Advisory Committee.

Directs the Assistant Secretary to: (1) establish a freight corridors of national significance program, and (2) designate such corridors.

Authorizes the Assistant Secretary to designate one entity to serve as a freight corridor coalition. Requires the freight corridor coalition to submit annually to the Assistant Secretary a freight corridor plan that includes, among other things, a prioritized list of projects that will improve the freight movement performance of the freight corridors of national significance. Authorizes the Assistant Secretary to make grants to states for such projects.

Requires a grant recipient to submit to the Assistant Secretary: (1) a project management plan and an annual financial plan for a project with a total cost of at least \$500 million, and (2) an annual financial plan for a project with a total cost of less than \$500 million.

Amends the Internal Revenue Code to establish in the Treasury the Goods Movement Trust Fund.

Increases by 12 cents the tax on the sale of diesel fuel used for the transportation of goods by highway. Transfers amounts equivalent to the increase in tax to the Fund.

Requires the Secretary to pay an amount based on a certain formula to purchasers of diesel fuel that is not used for the transportation of goods by highway in which such tax was paid. Allows an income tax credit in lieu of payment to certain tax exempt entities.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 17, 2011:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials.
- **Mar 16, 2011:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 16, 2011:** Referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, and Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

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