

## S 252

Highway Fairness and Reform Act of 2011

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**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Transportation and Public Works

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**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works. (Feb 1, 2011)

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### Sponsor

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### Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Environment and Public Works Committee	Senate	Referred To	Feb 1, 2011

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Transportation and Public Works

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
<a href="#">112 S 1446</a>	Related bill	<b>Jul 28, 2011:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
<a href="#">112 HR 1585</a>	Related bill	<b>Apr 18, 2011:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Highways and Transit.
<a href="#">112 HR 632</a>	Related bill	<b>Feb 11, 2011:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Highways and Transit.

Highway Fairness and Reform Act of 2011 - Directs the Secretary of Transportation (DOT), beginning with FY2011, to carry out a direct federal-aid highway program to permit a state governor or chief executive officer, at least 90 days before the beginning of a fiscal year, to elect to: (1) waive the state's right to receive apportioned or allocated funds under the federal-aid highway program, and (2) receive instead a prorated amount of the taxes appropriated to the Highway Trust Fund (other than from the Mass Transit Account) which are attributable to highway users in the state. Requires a pro rata reduction of such tax-equivalent amount in order to fund contract authority for programs of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) and the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA).

Requires the Secretary to accept a state's election if: (1) the state has an interstate maintenance program; (2) it submits a plan describing the purposes, projects, and uses to which such amounts will be put and the federal-aid highway programmatic requirements the state elects to continue; (3) the state agrees to obligate program amounts exclusively for projects that would be eligible for surface transportation program funding; and (4) it continues to suballocate surface transportation program funds to urbanized and other areas using certain formulae and rules.

### **Actions Timeline**

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