

HR 4727

To enhance interstate commerce by creating a National Hiring Standard for Motor Carriers.

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Policy Area: Transportation and Public Works

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Rep. Meadows, Mark [R-NC-11]	R · NC		Sep 10, 2014
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Jul 21, 2014
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred to	May 23, 2014

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Transportation and Public Works

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Prohibits a state from enforcing a law or imposing liability on an entity that hires a motor carrier for the transportation of property or household goods if the liability arises from a personal injury, death, or cargo or fother property damage claim or cause of action related to the negligent selection of that motor carrier under state law or regulation.

Specifies as such an entity any person acting as a shipper, as a broker, as a consignee, a freight forwarder, a household goods freight forwarder, a Non-Vessel Operating Common Carrier, an ocean freight forwarder, or an ocean transportation intermediary.

Makes an entity eligible for this waiver of liability only if, before tendering a shipment, but not more than 35 days before the hitred motor carrier picks up a shipment, the entity verifies that the motor carrier at the time of verification:

- is registered with and authorized by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) to operate as a motor carrier or household goods motor carrier,
- has the minimum insurance coverage required by federal regulation, and
- does not have an unsatisfactory safety rating from FMCSA in force at the time of verification.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 21, 2014:** Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice.
- **May 23, 2014:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Highways and Transit.
- **May 22, 2014:** Introduced in House
- **May 22, 2014:** Referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, 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.