

## HR 6463

### Improving Access to Services Act

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Transportation and Public Works

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### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 8, 2020

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Transportation and Public Works

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HR 6464	Related bill	Apr 8, 2020: Referred to the Subcommittee on Highways and Transit.

## Summary (as of Apr 7, 2020)

### Improving Access to Services Act

This bill requires transportation planners to consider projects and strategies to improve safe and convenient access to certain services, including health care facilities, child care, and affordable housing. (Access is the ability to travel by auto, transit, pedestrian, and bike networks measured in terms of travel times, with impedances for level of travel stress for active travel and costs for low income travelers.)

The Department of Transportation must establish minimum standards for states to use in determining and improving safe and convenient access to certain services for all users by all modes of travel.

If a state fails to improve access, it must obligate 10% of federal transportation funds apportioned to such state from the previous fiscal year into its efforts to meet the minimum standards to improve access.

The bill prohibits metropolitan transportation planning organizations from approving a transportation improvement plan that increases the ratio of automobile to non-automobile access in urbanized areas.

### Actions Timeline

- **Apr 8, 2020:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Highways and Transit.
- **Apr 7, 2020:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 7, 2020:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E352)
- **Apr 7, 2020:** Referred to the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.