

HR 7223

RURAL Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Transportation and Public Works

Introduced: Jun 15, 2020

Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Highways and Transit.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Highways and Transit. (Jun 16, 2020)

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Sponsor

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Party: Republican • **State:** IN • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 16, 2020
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Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Transportation and Public Works

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jun 15, 2020)

Railway Upgrades for Rural American Lines Act or the RURAL Act

This bill modifies requirements for the Railway-Highway Crossings Program.

Specifically, the bill (1) requires the Department of Transportation to set aside highway safety improvement funds for states for the replacement of functionally obsolete warning devices at railway-highway crossings, (2) increases the federal share payable on account of any project financed with highway safety improvement funds from 90% to 100%, and (3) revises the amount of incentive payment a state may provide a local government for permanent closure by such government of public at-grade railway-highway crossings.

Actions Timeline

- **Jun 16, 2020:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials.
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- **Jun 15, 2020:** Referred to the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.