

S 1817

Bridge Investment Act of 2021

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Transportation and Public Works

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Brown, Sherrod [D-OH]

Party: Democratic • **State:** OH • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (13 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Boozman, John [R-AR]	R · AR		May 25, 2021
Sen. Casey, Robert P., Jr. [D-PA]	D · PA		May 25, 2021
Sen. Hagerty, Bill [R-TN]	R · TN		May 25, 2021
Sen. Hyde-Smith, Cindy [R-MS]	R · MS		May 25, 2021
Sen. Inhofe, James M. [R-OK]	R · OK		May 25, 2021
Sen. Markey, Edward J. [D-MA]	D · MA		May 25, 2021
Sen. Murray, Patty [D-WA]	D · WA		May 25, 2021
Sen. Portman, Rob [R-OH]	R · OH		May 25, 2021
Sen. Stabenow, Debbie [D-MI]	D · MI		May 25, 2021
Sen. Van Hollen, Chris [D-MD]	D · MD		May 25, 2021
Sen. Whitehouse, Sheldon [D-RI]	D · RI		May 25, 2021
Sen. Wicker, Roger F. [R-MS]	R · MS		May 25, 2021
Sen. Wyden, Ron [D-OR]	D · OR		May 25, 2021

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Environment and Public Works Committee	Senate	Referred To	May 25, 2021

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Transportation and Public Works

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HR 3684	Related bill	Aug 4, 2022: Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. Hearings held.
117 S 1931	Related bill	Oct 6, 2021: By Senator Carper from Committee on Environment and Public Works filed written report. Report No. 117-41.
117 S 1953	Related bill	May 27, 2021: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

Summary (as of May 25, 2021)

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This bill establishes a bridge investment program to award competitive grants to certain governmental entities for projects that improve (1) the condition of bridges; and (2) the safety, efficiency, and reliability of the movement of people and freight over bridges.

Among other things, the bill

- requires grant awards for large projects (projects with total costs of greater than \$100 million) to be at least \$50 million, and for any other projects not less than \$2.5 million;
- directs the Department of Transportation (DOT) to consider a number of factors in awarding grants, including the extent to which a project demonstrates cost savings by bundling multiple bridge projects;
- requires DOT to prioritize projects that are located within states for which at least two project applications were submitted in the current fiscal year and an average of two were submitted in prior fiscal years, and fewer than two grants have been awarded for projects within the state; and
- limits funding for projects that consist solely of culvert replacement or rehabilitation.

Actions Timeline

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