

HR 8615

To amend title 49, United States Code, to limit the preference for Amtrak using rail lines, junctions, and crossings near ports and rail yards, and for other purposes.

Congress: 117 (2021–2023, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Transportation and Public Works

Introduced: Jul 29, 2022

Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials. (Aug 1, 2022)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Johnson, Dusty [R-SD-At Large]

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

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred to	Aug 1, 2022

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Transportation and Public Works

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jul 29, 2022)

This bill limits Amtrak's preference over freight transportation in using a rail line, junction, or crossing if such rail line, junction, or crossing is located within 50 miles of a port or rail yard.

The Department of Transportation may issue regulations to continue the preference waiver if necessary.

Actions Timeline

- **Aug 1, 2022:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials.
- **Jul 29, 2022:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 29, 2022:** Referred to the House Committee on Transportation.