

## HR 947

### RURAL Act

**Congress:** 117 (2021–2023, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Transportation and Public Works

**Introduced:** Feb 8, 2021

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

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Highways and Transit. (Feb 9, 2021)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/117th-congress/house-bill/947>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Pence, Greg [R-IN-6]

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

### Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Brownley, Julia [D-CA-26]	D · CA		Feb 8, 2021
Rep. Comer, James [R-KY-1]	R · KY		May 13, 2021
Rep. Huffman, Jared [D-CA-2]	D · CA		Jun 1, 2021

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 9, 2021
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### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Transportation and Public Works

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 S 1919	Related bill	May 27, 2021: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

## 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 and protective 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**

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- **Feb 9, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials.
- **Feb 9, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Highways and Transit.
- **Feb 8, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Feb 8, 2021:** Referred to the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.