

HR 2948

CARS Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Transportation and Public Works

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Sponsor

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Party: Republican • State: TX • Chamber: House

Cosponsors (4 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Bean, Aaron [R-FL-4]	R · FL		Apr 27, 2023
Rep. Mast, Brian J. [R-FL-21]	R · FL		Apr 27, 2023
Rep. Edwards, Chuck [R-NC-11]	R · NC		May 2, 2023
Rep. Steube, W. Gregory [R-FL-17]	R · FL		May 2, 2023

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Discharged from	May 23, 2023

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Transportation and Public Works

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Carrying Automobiles Responsibly and Safely Act or the CARS Act

This bill allows for the operation on the Interstate System of certain automobile transporters with a gross vehicle weight that is 10% above the current weight limit.

Specifically, the bill prohibits a state from barring the operation of a stinger-steered combination automobile transporter with a gross weight of 88,000 pounds or less on the Interstate System or specific federal-aid highways. The current weight limit is 80,000 pounds. A stinger-steered combination automobile transporter is a truck tractor semitrailer wherein the fifth wheel is located on a drop frame located behind and below the rear-most axle of the power unit.

Further, a state is prohibited from enacting or enforcing a law that denies these automobile transporters reasonable access from highways to loading or unloading points or facilities for food, fuel, repair, and rest.

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 19, 2024:** Reported by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. H. Rept. 118-937.
- **Dec 19, 2024:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 789.
- **May 23, 2023:** Subcommittee on Highways and Transit Discharged
- **May 23, 2023:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held
- **May 23, 2023:** Ordered to be Reported by the Yeas and Nays: 30 - 29.
- **Apr 28, 2023:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Highways and Transit.
- **Apr 27, 2023:** Introduced in House
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