

**Chairman Brett Guthrie**  
**Opening Statement—Subcommittee on Environment**  
**“Rules of the Road: Examining Legislation to Modernize the Clean**  
**Air Act’s Mobile Source Requirements.”**  
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Thank you, Chairman Palmer, for holding this hearing, and thank you to our witnesses for joining as well.

Since last year, the Environment Subcommittee has been examining ways to modernize the Clean Air Act by reducing burdens and costs associated with building new energy generation, advanced manufacturing, and needed infrastructure while continuing to protect the environment and human health.

Today, we’re taking another step in our efforts to modernize the Clean Air Act by examining 10 pieces of legislation that would update the how vehicles, engines, and other mobile sources of air pollution are regulated.

Nitrogen oxide emissions from heavy-duty diesel trucks have decreased by more than 92 percent over the past 25 years, but important safety and cost-benefit concerns have come to light following EPA emission control requirements that have been imposed on diesel engines. These requirements can cause trucks, buses, and other heavy-duty vehicles to slow down or stop working entirely.

EPA Administrator Zeldin recently issued guidance on ways farmers and truckers can improve safety and reduce costs as an interim step. But we will be considering several potential legislative fixes that would provide a more durable solution for farmers, truckers, and others who rely on these heavy-duty diesel engines to keep the economy running.

Today, we are also examining legislation to rein in California's attempts to impose an electric vehicle mandate on the railroad industry, which would have devastating consequences for interstate commerce.

I look forward to hearing from our witnesses how the bills on today's agenda would eliminate overly burdensome requirements that drive up transportation costs and limit choices for drivers and consumers.

Thank you, and I yield back.