



Fact Sheet: H.R. 4925 – The FRA Safety Data Improvement Act

Summary

- H.R. 4925 is bipartisan legislation to ensure greater accuracy and quality of safety data collected and reported by the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA).
- The bill instructs FRA to develop a plan and timeline to implement Department of Transportation Inspector General (DOT IG) recommendations to improve the management and collection of railroad safety data.
- The seven recommendations from the DOT IG, include updating reporting guidance, implementing routine or web-accessible training, developing a standard method for identifying and listing railroads in each FRA region, developing procedures for tracking audits of non-class I railroads, establishing risk based prioritizations for auditing non-class I railroads every five years, formalizing the audit process with written guidance, and developing regular training for FRA staff.
- To ensure compliance, the bill requires FRA to update Congress annually on its progress implementing the DOT IG recommendations.
- H.R. 4925 was introduced on February 5, 2018 by Representative Josh Gottheimer (D-NJ).

Amendments

No amendments are expected.

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