

**AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT IN THE
NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE TO H.R. 3684
OFFERED BY MR. BABIN OF TEXAS**

Strike section 9507 and insert the following:

1 **SEC. 9507. SAFE CROSS BORDER OPERATIONS.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subchapter II of chapter 201 of
3 title 49, United States Code, is further amended by adding
4 at the end the following:

5 **“§ 20170. Crew requirements for trains originating in**
6 **or destined to Mexico**

7 “(a) IN GENERAL.—Trains originating in or destined
8 to Mexico may be operated for distances of 20 air-miles
9 or fewer from the intersection of the international border
10 and the existing rail border crossing or rail gateway by
11 crews only comprised of individuals that—

12 “(1) are citizens or lawful permanent residents
13 of the United States; or

14 “(2) meet all of the following requirements:

15 “(A) Have current Mexican passports,
16 have a visa under section 101(a)(15)(B) of the
17 Immigration and Nationality Act
18 (1101(a)(15)(B)), and meet reasonable require-

1 ments for access and clearance set by United
2 States Customs and Border Protection.

3 “(B) Are licensed by the Mexican Govern-
4 ment to operate trains in Mexico.

5 “(C) Are certified under locomotive engi-
6 neer or conductor certification programs filed
7 with the Federal Railroad Administration under
8 parts 240 and 242 of title 49, Code of Federal
9 Regulations.

10 “(D) Comply with United States hours of
11 service requirements in chapter 211 of title 49,
12 United States Code.

13 “(b) Notwithstanding subsection (a), no train origi-
14 nating in or destined to Mexico may be operated in the
15 United States for distances in excess of 20 air-miles from
16 the intersection of the international border and the exist-
17 ing rail border crossing or rail gateway, unless by crews
18 comprised entirely of citizens or lawful permanent resi-
19 dents of the United States.”.

20 (b) REGULATIONS REQUIRED.—Not later than 180
21 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary
22 of Transportation shall issue such regulations as are nec-
23 essary to carry out the amendments made by this section.

24 (c) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—The analysis for
25 subchapter II of chapter 201 of title 49, United States

1 Code, is further amended by adding at the end the fol-
2 lowing:

“20170. Crew requirements for trains originating in or destined to Mexico.”.

Page 1317, line 9, strike “20173” and insert
“20174”.

Page 1185, line 19, strike “20171” and insert
“20172”.

Page 1322, line 21, strike “20170” and insert
“20171”.

Page 1327, in the matter following line 21, strike
“20170” and insert “20171”.

Page 1328, line 14, strike “20171” and insert
“20172”.

Page 1332, in the matter following line 7, strike
“20171” and insert “20172”.

Page 1333, line 20, strike “20171” and insert
“20172”.

Page 1333, line 24, strike “20171(f)” and insert
“20172(f)”.

Page 1335, line 5, strike “20172” and insert
“20173”.

Page 1335, in the matter following line 17, strike “20172” and insert “20173”.

Page 1351, line 1, strike “20173” and insert “20174”.

Page 1355, line 12, strike “20174” and insert “20175”.

Page 1356, in the matter following line 2, strike “20173” and insert “20174”.

Page 1356, line 7, strike “20174” and insert “20175”.

Page 1356, line 24, strike “20173” and insert “20174”.

Page 1357, in the matter following line 4, strike “20174” and insert “20175”.

Page 1357, line 18, strike “20173” and insert “20174”.

Page 1358, line 6, strike “20173” and insert “20174”.

Page 1358, line 10, strike “20174” and insert “20175”.

