

**AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE  
TO H.R. 2187  
OFFERED BY MR. BOST OF ILLINOIS**

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

**1 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Truck Parking Safety  
3 Improvement Act”.

**4 SEC. 2. SENSE OF CONGRESS.**

5 It is the sense of Congress that it should be a na-  
6 tional priority to address the shortage of parking for com-  
7 mercial motor vehicles on the Federal-aid highway system  
8 to improve highway safety.

**9 SEC. 3. PARKING FOR COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLES.**

10 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 1 of title 23, United  
11 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-  
12 lowing:

**13 “§ 177. Parking for commercial motor vehicles**

14 “(a) GRANT AUTHORITY.—Subject to the availability  
15 of funds, the Secretary shall make grants under this sec-  
16 tion, on a competitive basis, to eligible entities for projects  
17 to provide parking for commercial motor vehicles and im-  
18 prove the safety of commercial motor vehicle operators.

1       “(b) APPLICATIONS.—To be eligible for a grant  
2 under this section, an eligible entity shall submit to the  
3 Secretary an application at such time and in such manner  
4 as the Secretary may require.

5       “(c) APPLICATION CONTENTS.—An application sub-  
6 mitted under subsection (b) shall contain—

7           “(1) a description of the proposed project; and

8           “(2) any other information that the Secretary  
9 may require.

10       “(d) ELIGIBLE ENTITIES.—The following entities  
11 shall be eligible to receive amounts under this section:

12           “(1) A State.

13           “(2) A metropolitan planning organization.

14           “(3) A unit of local government.

15           “(4) A political subdivision of a State or local  
16 government carrying out responsibilities relating to  
17 commercial motor vehicle parking.

18           “(5) A Tribal government or a consortium of  
19 Tribal governments.

20           “(6) A multistate or multijurisdictional group  
21 of entities described in paragraphs (1) through (5).

22       “(e) PRIVATE SECTOR PARTICIPATION.—An eligible  
23 entity that receives a grant under this section may partner  
24 with a private entity to carry out an eligible project under  
25 this section.

1 “(f) ELIGIBLE PROJECTS.—

2 “(1) IN GENERAL.—An entity may use a grant  
3 awarded under this section for a project described in  
4 paragraph (2) that is on—

5 “(A) a Federal-aid highway; or

6 “(B) a facility with reasonable access to—

7 “(i) a Federal-aid highway; or

8 “(ii) a freight facility.

9 “(2) PROJECTS DESCRIBED.—A project de-  
10 scribed in this paragraph is a project to—

11 “(A) construct safety rest areas (as such  
12 term is defined in section 120(e)) that include  
13 parking for commercial motor vehicles;

14 “(B) construct additional commercial  
15 motor vehicle parking capacity—

16 “(i) adjacent to private commercial  
17 truck stops and travel plazas;

18 “(ii) within the boundaries of, or adja-  
19 cent to, a publicly owned freight facility,  
20 including a port terminal operated by a  
21 public authority; and

22 “(iii) at existing facilities, including  
23 inspection and weigh stations and park-  
24 and-ride locations;

1           “(C) open existing weigh stations, safety  
2 rest areas, and park-and-ride facilities to com-  
3 mercial motor vehicle parking;

4           “(D) construct or make capital improve-  
5 ments to existing public commercial motor vehi-  
6 cle parking facilities to expand parking utiliza-  
7 tion and availability, including at seasonal fa-  
8 cilities;

9           “(E) identify, promote, and manage the  
10 availability of publicly and privately provided  
11 commercial motor vehicle parking, such as  
12 through the use of intelligent transportation  
13 systems;

14           “(F) improve the safety of commercial  
15 motor vehicle operators at parking facilities as  
16 part of a project described in subparagraphs  
17 (A) through (D); or

18           “(G) improve a parking facility, including  
19 through advanced truck stop electrification sys-  
20 tems and other improvements determined ap-  
21 propriate by the Secretary, as part of a project  
22 described in subparagraphs (A) through (D).

23           “(3) PUBLICLY ACCESSIBLE PARKING.—Com-  
24 mercial motor vehicle parking constructed or opened

1 with a grant under this section shall be open and ac-  
2 cessible to all commercial motor vehicle operators.

3 “(g) USE OF FUNDS.—

4 “(1) IN GENERAL.—An eligible entity may use  
5 a grant under this section for—

6 “(A) development phase activities, includ-  
7 ing planning, feasibility analysis, benefit-cost  
8 analysis, environmental review, preliminary en-  
9 gineering and design work, and other  
10 preconstruction activities necessary to advance  
11 a project under this section; and

12 “(B) construction and operational improve-  
13 ments.

14 “(2) LIMITATION.—

15 “(A) IN GENERAL.—An eligible entity may  
16 use not more than 25 percent of the amount of  
17 a grant under this section for activities de-  
18 scribed in paragraph (1)(A).

19 “(B) EXISTING FACILITIES.—Not more  
20 than 10 percent of the amounts available for  
21 each fiscal year for grants under the program  
22 may be used for projects described under sub-  
23 section (f)(2)(E) that solely identify, promote,  
24 and manage the availability of existing commer-  
25 cial motor vehicle parking.

1       “(h) SELECTION CRITERIA.—In making grants  
2 under this subsection, the Secretary shall give priority to  
3 applications that demonstrate—

4               “(1) a shortage of commercial motor vehicle  
5 parking capacity in the corridor in which the project  
6 is located;

7               “(2) consultation with motor carriers, commer-  
8 cial motor vehicle operators, public safety officials,  
9 and private providers of commercial motor vehicle  
10 parking;

11              “(3) that the project will likely—

12                      “(A) increase the availability or utilization  
13 of commercial motor vehicle parking;

14                      “(B) facilitate the efficient movement of  
15 freight; and

16                      “(C) improve highway safety, traffic con-  
17 gestion, and air quality; and

18              “(4) the ability to provide for the maintenance  
19 and operation of the facility.

20       “(i) FEDERAL SHARE.—Notwithstanding section  
21 120, the Federal share for a project carried out under this  
22 subsection shall be up to 100 percent.

23       “(j) TREATMENT OF PROJECTS.—

24               “(1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other  
25 provision of law, projects funded under this section

1 shall be treated as projects on a Federal-aid highway  
2 under this chapter.

3 “(2) PERIOD OF AVAILABILITY.—Funds appro-  
4 priated for projects under this section shall remain  
5 available for a period of 3 years after the last day  
6 of the fiscal year in which the funds are made avail-  
7 able.

8 “(k) PROHIBITION ON CHARGING FEES.—To be eli-  
9 gible for a grant under this section, an eligible entity shall  
10 agree that no fees will be charged to a commercial motor  
11 vehicle to access parking constructed, opened, or improved  
12 with a grant under this section.

13 “(l) NOTIFICATION OF CONGRESS.—Not less than 3  
14 business days before making a grant for a project under  
15 this section, the Secretary shall notify, in writing, the  
16 Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the  
17 House of Representatives and the Committee on the Envi-  
18 ronment and Public Works of the Senate of the intention  
19 to award such a grant.

20 “(m) SURVEY AND COMPARATIVE ASSESSMENT.—

21 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 18 months  
22 after the date of enactment of this subsection, and  
23 every 2 years thereafter, the Secretary, in consulta-  
24 tion with appropriate State motor carrier safety per-  
25 sonnel, motor carriers, State departments of trans-

1 portation, and private providers of commercial motor  
2 vehicle parking shall submit to the Committee on  
3 Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of  
4 Representatives and the Committee on the Environ-  
5 ment and Public Works of the Senate a report  
6 that—

7 “(A) evaluates the availability of adequate  
8 parking and rest facilities, taking into account  
9 both private and public facilities, for commer-  
10 cial motor vehicles engaged in interstate trans-  
11 portation;

12 “(B) evaluates the effectiveness of the  
13 projects funded under this section in improving  
14 access to commercial motor vehicle parking;

15 “(C) evaluates the ability of entities receiv-  
16 ing a grant under this section to sustain the op-  
17 eration of parking facilities constructed with  
18 funds provided under this section; and

19 “(D) reports on the progress being made  
20 to provide adequate commercial motor vehicle  
21 parking facilities in the State.

22 “(2) RESULTS.—The Secretary shall make the  
23 report and subsequent updated reports under para-  
24 graph (1) available to the public on the website of  
25 the Department of Transportation.



1           “(3) ALIGNMENT OF REPORTS.—In carrying  
2           out this subsection, the Secretary shall consider the  
3           results of the commercial motor vehicle parking fa-  
4           cilities assessments of the States under section  
5           70202 of title 49 and seek to align the contents of  
6           the report and reporting deadlines under paragraph  
7           (1) with the requirements of such section.

8           “(n) COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLE DEFINED.—In  
9           this section, the term ‘commercial motor vehicle’ has the  
10          meaning given such term in section 31132 of title 49.”.

11          (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The analysis for chap-  
12          ter 1 of title 23, United States Code, is amended by add-  
13          ing after the item relating to section 177 the following:  
            “177. Parking for commercial motor vehicles.”.

14          **SEC. 4. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

15          There are authorized to be appropriated out of the  
16          general fund of the Treasury for projects for commercial  
17          vehicle parking under section 177 of title 23, United  
18          States Code (as added by this Act)—

- 19                  (1) \$175,000,000 for fiscal year 2023;  
20                  (2) \$185,000,000 for fiscal year 2024;  
21                  (3) \$195,000,000 for fiscal year 2025; and  
22                  (4) \$200,000,000 for fiscal year 2026.

