

## Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

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## September 3, 2025

The Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure met at 10:00 a.m. on September 3, 2025, in 2167 Rayburn House Office Building, pursuant to notice, in an open session, with a quorum present, and considered the following items:

- The Fiscal Year 2026 Views and Estimates of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure;
- An Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute (ANS) to H.R. 4669, the *Fixing Emergency Management for Americans Act of 2025* or *FEMA Act of 2025*;
- An Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute (ANS) to H.R. 5061, the *Counter-UAS Authority Security, Safety, and Reauthorization Act*; and
- Other matters cleared for consideration

## The Committee took the following actions:

- Fiscal Year 2026 Views and Estimates of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure; was AGREED TO and ordered to be transmitted to the Committee on the Budget by voice vote.
- **H.R. 4669**, the *Fixing Emergency Management for Americans Act of 2025* or *FEMA Act of 2025*. The Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 4669 on September 3, 2025. The legislation was AGREED TO and ordered to be favorably reported to the House, as amended, by a recorded vote of 57 Yeas and 3 Nays (RC#62).

The vote was as follows:

Vote: 62		Measure: H.R. 4669	
On: Final passage: H.R. 4669, as amended			
Yea	57	Nay	3
Present	0	Not Voting	6

Fresent	U	Not voting	<u> </u>
Member	Vote	Member	Vote
Mr. Graves of MO	Y	Mr. Larsen of WA	Y
Mr. Crawford	Y	Ms. Norton	Y
Mr. Webster of FL	Y	Mr. Nadler	Y
Mr. Massie		Mr. Garamendi	Y
Mr. Perry	N	Mr. Johnson of GA	
Mr. Babin	Y	Mr. Carson	Y
Mr. Rouzer	Y	Ms. Titus	Y
Mr. Bost	Y	Mr. Huffman	Y
Mr. LaMalfa	Y	Ms. Brownley	Y
Mr. Westerman	Y	Ms. Wilson of FL	Y
Mr. Mast	Y	Mr. DeSaulnier	Y
Mr. Stauber	Y	Mr. Carbajal	Y
Mr. Burchett	N	Mr. Stanton	Y
Mr. Johnson of SD	Y	Ms. Davids of KS	Y
Mr. Van Drew	Y	Mr. García of IL	Y
Mr. Nehls	Y	Mr. Pappas	Y
Mr. Mann	Y	Mr. Moulton	
Mr. Owens	Y	Ms. Strickland	Y
Mr. Burlison	N	Mr. Ryan	Y
Mr. Collins	Y	Ms. Hoyle of OR	Y
Mr. Ezell		Mrs. Sykes	Y
Mr. Kiley	Y	Ms. Scholten	Y
Mr. Fong	Y	Mrs. Foushee	Y
Mr. Wied	Y	Mr. Deluzio	Y
Mr. Barrett	Y	Mr. Garcia of CA	Y
Mr. Begich	Y	Ms. Pou	
Mr. Bresnahan	Y	Ms. McDonald Rivet	Y
Mr. Hurd	Y	Ms. Friedman	Y
Mr. Shreve	Y	Ms. Gillen	Y
Mr. McDowell	Y	Mr. Figures	Y
Mr. Taylor	Y		

Mr. Knott	
Ms. King-Hinds	Y
Mr. Kennedy	Y
Mr. Onder	Y
Mr. Patronis	Y

The following amendments were offered:

An Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute to H.R. 4669, offered by Chairman Graves of Missouri; was AGREED TO, as amended, by voice vote.

A Manager's Amendment to the Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute to H.R. 4669, offered by Chairman Graves of Missouri: Page 77, strike lines 3 through 12 and insert the following: "(4) ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT EXEMPTION.—An exemption from the requirements of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.) pursuant to section 7(p) of that Act (16 U.S.C. 1536(p)) shall apply to repair, restoration, reconstruction, or replacement under subsection (a), and the determinations required under subsections (p), (g), and (h) of such section shall be deemed to be made.". Page 100, line 24, strike "and" at the end. Page 101, line 5, strike the period and insert "; and". Page 101, after line 5, insert the following: (E) identify best practices for collaboration with State and local environmental, water, and wildlife experts during critical decision points in debris removal management. Page 155, line 19, strike the period and insert "and for property acquisitions and relocations in accordance with 404(b) of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5170c(b)).". Page 164, line 6, insert ", conditioned on completion of any final environmental and historic preservation reviews" after "section". Page 181, line 12, strike "and" at the end. Page 181, line 14, strike the period and insert "; and". Page 181, after line 14, insert the following: (6) may be improved through the uptake of innovative or emerging mitigation strategies. Page 181, line 23, strike "and" at the end. Page 182, before line 1, insert the following (and redesignate the subsequent paragraph accordingly): (4) assessments of the cost-effectiveness and benefits of incorporating practical, multipurpose solutions, including natural and nature-based approaches, into disaster resilience efforts; (5) identification of best practices, innovative techniques, and effective mitigation strategies that can improve outcomes and maximize taxpayer value in projects; and Page 214, after line 11, insert the following (and redesignate the subsequent subsection accordingly): (d) SEVERE WEATHER AWARENESS AND PREPAREDNESS PROGRAM.—Not later than 1 year after the convening of the working group pursuant to subsection (a), the Administrator shall, in consultation with the members of the working group, establish a program on severe weather awareness and preparedness to facilitate immediate and long-term solutions to reduce deaths related to fast-moving disasters, including—(1) in collaboration with the Agency's Integrated Public Alert and Warning System, assist in improving and ensuring integration with early warning systems; (2) establishing goals and measurable performance standards for related preparedness activities; (3) facilitating coordination with relevant federal, State, local, Tribal, non-profit organizations and other private sector entities; and (4) developing and implementing a severe weather awareness program for public and inter-agency preparedness for fast-moving and catastrophic events. Page 214, line 16, insert "earthquakes, volcanos, tsunamis," after "mudslides,". At the end of title IV of division B, insert the following: SEC. 422. REPORT ON FLOOD RESILIENCY ON KEY TRAVEL CORRIDORS. (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 2 years after the date of enactment of this Act, the Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, in coordination with the Secretary of Transportation, shall submit to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs of the Senate and the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives a report on the need for major flood resiliency investments, including the installation of pump stations, drainage pipes, and check valves, to safeguard key travel corridors from the impact of coastal storms while improving road safety. (b) CONTENTS.—The report under subsection (a) shall include the following: (1) An evaluation of the current state of flood risk on key travel corridors, and its impact on driver and pedestrian safety. (2) An evaluation of the potential and

real hazards of Federal under-investment in flood resiliency on key travel corridors. (3) An evaluation of the impact that flood resiliency construction projects have on regular travel, traffic patterns, and road safety. (4) Recommendations on addressing flooding issues on key travel corridors.; was AGREED TO by voice vote.

An Amendment to the Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute to H.R. 4669, offered by Ms. Norton of the District of Columbia (Norton 068): At the end of title I of subtitle B, add the following: Sec. 12\_\_. PLAN FOR EMERGENCY DRINKING WATER. Not later than 90 days after the date of enactment of this act, the Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency shall submit to Congress a plan to supply emergency drinking water to the National Capital Region for the duration of any period in which the Potomac River is unusable as a source of drinking water for such Region.; was WITHDRAWN.

An Amendment to the Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute to H.R. 4669, offered by Mr. Carson of Indiana (Carson 039\_Rev1): At the end of the bill, add the following: SEC.422. REPORTS ON FEMA GRANTS. (a) IN GENERAL. – Not later than 7 days after awarding a covered grant, the Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency shall submit to Congress a report on such grant that includes the name of the recipient, the amount of such grant, and the location of either the grant recipient or the project to be carried out using such grant. (b) COVERED GRANT DEFINED. – In this section, the term "covered grant" means any grant awarded by the Federal Emergency Management Agency, including – (1) competitive grants; and (2) formula grants.; was AGREED TO by voice vote.

**H.R. 5061**, the *Counter-UAS Authority Security, Safety, and Reauthorization Act*. The Subcommittee on Aviation was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 5061 on September 3, 2025. The legislation was AGREED TO and ordered to be favorably reported to the House, as amended, by a recorded vote of 60 Yeas and 0 Nays (RC#64).

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The vote was as follows:

Voto: 64

vote: 64		Measure: H.R. 5061	
On: Final passage: H.R. 5061, as amended			
Yea	60	Nay	0
Present	0	Not Voting	6
Member	Vote	Member	Vote
Mr. Graves of MO	Y	Mr. Larsen of WA	Y
Mr. Crawford	Y	Ms. Norton	Y
Mr. Webster of FL	Y	Mr. Nadler	Y
Mr. Massie		Mr. Garamendi	Y
Mr. Perry	Y	Mr. Johnson of GA	
Mr. Babin	Y	Mr. Carson	Y
Mr. Rouzer	Y	Ms. Titus	Y

Mr. Bost	Y	Mr. Huffman	Y
Mr. LaMalfa	Y	Ms. Brownley	Y
Mr. Westerman	Y	Ms. Wilson of FL	Y
Mr. Mast	Y	Mr. DeSaulnier	Y
Mr. Stauber	Y	Mr. Carbajal	Y
Mr. Burchett	Y	Mr. Stanton	Y
Mr. Johnson of SD	Y	Ms. Davids of KS	Y
Mr. Van Drew	Y	Mr. García of IL	Y
Mr. Nehls	Y	Mr. Pappas	Y
Mr. Mann	Y	Mr. Moulton	
Mr. Owens	Y	Ms. Strickland	Y
Mr. Burlison	Y	Mr. Ryan	Y
Mr. Collins	Y	Ms. Hoyle of OR	Y
Mr. Ezell		Mrs. Sykes	Y
Mr. Kiley	Y	Ms. Scholten	Y
Mr. Fong	Y	Mrs. Foushee	Y
Mr. Wied	Y	Mr. Deluzio	Y
Mr. Barrett	Y	Mr. Garcia of CA	Y
Mr. Begich	Y	Ms. Pou	
Mr. Bresnahan	Y	Ms. McDonald Rivet	Y
Mr. Hurd	Y	Ms. Friedman	Y
Mr. Shreve	Y	Ms. Gillen	Y
Mr. McDowell	Y	Mr. Figures	Y
Mr. Taylor	Y		
Mr. Knott			
Ms. King-Hinds	Y		
Mr. Kennedy	Y		
Mr. Onder	Y		
Mr. Patronis	Y		

The following amendments were offered:

An Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute to H.R. 5061, offered by Mr. Crawford of Arkansas on behalf of Chairman Graves of Missouri; was AGREED TO, as amended, by voice vote.

A Manager's Amendment to the Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute to H.R. 5061, offered by Mr. Crawford of Arkansas on behalf of Chairman Graves of Missouri (MGR 5061): Page 2, line 22, strike "or" at the end. Page 2, line 25, strike the period at the end and insert "; or". Page 2, after line 25, insert the following: (D) a small hub airport (as defined in section 47102 of title 49, United States Code) that qualifies as a small hub airport on or after January 1, 2025. Page 35,

line 6, strike "and" at the end. Page 35, line 14, strike the period at the end and insert "; and". Page 35, after line 14, insert the following: "(C) shall assume that a public safety organization meets such criteria and allow such an organization to participate in the voluntary verified operator program established under this subsection without imposing any additional requirements, if such organization—(i) holds an FAA-issued operating approval in accordance with parts 91 or 107 (or any successor regulation) of title 14, Code of Federal Regulations, to operate for public safety purposes; and (ii) is operating an unmanned aircraft system that is a public aircraft, as defined in section 40102(a)(41), and meets any applicable requirements to qualify as a public aircraft pursuant to section 40125." Page 66, after line 13, insert the following: (9) OTHER COVERED EVENT PROTECTION.—As part of the program established in this subsection, the Secretary may allow a State or covered local law enforcement agency selected under paragraph (3) to operate approved counter-UAS mitigation systems to secure a covered event that occurs prior to or during a relevant covered multinational sporting event, if such agency complies with the requirements of paragraph (4) of this subsection. Page 70, line 12, insert ", including airport law enforcement" after "relevant airport personnel". Page 77, line 17, insert "and local" after "State". Page 84, line 17, insert "consumer" before "small unmanned aircraft system"; was AGREED TO by voice vote.

An Amendment to the Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute to H.R. 5061, offered by Mr. Burchett of Tennessee (Burchett 083): Add at the end the following: SEC. 12. PROTECTION OF PRIVATE PROPERTY FROM UNMANNED AIRCRAFT. (a) IN GENERAL.— Chapter 448 of title 49, United States Code, is further amended by adding at the end the following: "§ 44816. Protection of private property from unmanned aircraft "(a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to applicable State law relating to the discharge of a firearm, an individual may shoot an unmanned aircraft using a legally-obtained shotgun if the individual reasonably believes that such aircraft is flying not more than 200 feet above property owned by the individual. "(b) RETURN OF AIRCRAFT.—An individual may, but shall not be required to, return an unmanned aircraft shot down under subsection (a) to the owner of such aircraft upon request by such owner. "(c) REPORTING.—Not later than 60 days after an event in which an individual shoots an unmanned aircraft under subsection (a) and is able to identify the registration number of such aircraft, the individual shall report to the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration—(1) the address at which such event occurred; and (2) such registration number. "(d) REGULATIONS.—The Administrator shall issue such regulations as are necessary to carry out this section. "(e) DEFINITION OF SHOTGUN.—In this section, the term 'shotgun' has the meaning given such term in section 921 of title 18, United States Code. "(f) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this section shall be construed to preempt or otherwise have any effect on any State law relating to tort liability or criminal liability for an action taken under subsection (a).". (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The analysis for chapter 448 of title 49, United States Code, is further amended by adding at the end the following: "44816. Protection of private property from unmanned aircraft.":; was NOT AGREED TO by a recorded vote of 26 Yeas and 34 Nays (RC#63).

## The vote was as follows:

Vote: 63		Measure: H.R. 5061	
On: Final passage: H.R. 5061, as amended			
Yea	26	Nay	34
Present	0	Not Voting	6
Member	Vote	Member	Vote
Mr. Graves of MO	N	Mr. Larsen of WA	N

Mr. Crawford	Y	Ms. Norton	N
Mr. Webster of FL	Y	Mr. Nadler	N
Mr. Massie		Mr. Garamendi	N
Mr. Perry	Y	Mr. Johnson of GA	
Mr. Babin	Y	Mr. Carson	N
Mr. Rouzer	Y	Ms. Titus	N
Mr. Bost	Y	Mr. Huffman	N
Mr. LaMalfa	Y	Ms. Brownley	N
Mr. Westerman	Y	Ms. Wilson of FL	N
Mr. Mast	Y	Mr. DeSaulnier	N
Mr. Stauber	Y	Mr. Carbajal	N
Mr. Burchett	Y	Mr. Stanton	N
Mr. Johnson of SD	Y	Ms. Davids of KS	N
Mr. Van Drew	Y	Mr. García of IL	N
Mr. Nehls	Y	Mr. Pappas	N
Mr. Mann	Y	Mr. Moulton	
Mr. Owens	Y	Ms. Strickland	N
Mr. Burlison	Y	Mr. Ryan	N
Mr. Collins	Y	Ms. Hoyle of OR	N
Mr. Ezell		Mrs. Sykes	N
Mr. Kiley	N	Ms. Scholten	N
Mr. Fong	N	Mrs. Foushee	N
Mr. Wied	Y	Mr. Deluzio	N
Mr. Barrett	Y	Mr. Garcia of CA	N
Mr. Begich	Y	Ms. Pou	
Mr. Bresnahan	N	Ms. McDonald Rivet	N
Mr. Hurd	N	Ms. Friedman	N
Mr. Shreve	N	Ms. Gillen	N
Mr. McDowell	Y	Mr. Figures	N
Mr. Taylor	Y		•
Mr. Knott			
Ms. King-Hinds	N		
Mr. Kennedy	Y		
Mr. Onder	Y		
Mr. Patronis	Y		

- A motion by Chairman Graves of Missouri that the Fiscal Year 2026 Views and Estimates of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure be adopted and transmitted to the Committee on the Budget; was NOT OBJECTED TO.
- A unanimous consent request by Mr. Graves of Missouri that H.R. 4669, as amended, and H.R. 5061, as amended, be reported as a single Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute incorporating any amendments adopted; was NOT OBJECTED TO.
- A unanimous consent request by Mr. Graves of Missouri that staff be authorized to make all necessary technical, clarifying, and conforming changes to H.R. 4669, as amended and H.R. 5061, as amended; was NOT OBJECTED TO.
- A motion by Mr. Graves of Missouri that, pursuant to Rule XXII, clause 1, the Committee authorizes the Chairman, or designee, to offer such motions as may be necessary in the House to go to conference with the Senate on H.R. 4669, as amended, and H.R. 5061, as amended; was NOT OBJECTED TO.
- A unanimous consent request by Mr. Graves of Missouri that, the Chairman, after consultation with the Ranking Member, has authority to strike or revise any provision of the bills ordered reported today that would cause a sequential referral to another committee, or that would cause the bills to concurrent resolutions to be subject to a Budget Act or a Rule 21 CUTGO point of order; was NOT OBJECTED TO.
- Pursuant to Rule XI clause 2(1), of the Rules of the House of Representative, the Chairman notes that Members may have two calendar days in which to file any supplemental, minority, additional, or dissenting views on H.R. 4669, as amended, and H.R. 5061, as amended; was NOT OBJECTED TO.
- Pursuant to Rule 6 of the Rules of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, the Chairman noted the presence of a quorum for actions taken on all Committee business today.

