

**AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT IN THE
NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE TO H.R. 2
OFFERED BY MR. PERRY OF PENNSYLVANIA**

Page 563, after line 5, insert the following:

1 **SEC. ____ . INNOVATIVE MOBILITY AND HIGH-PER-**
2 **FORMING TRANSPORTATION GRANTS.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 53 of title 49, United
4 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-
5 lowing:

6 **“§ 5341. Innovative mobility and high-performing**
7 **transportation grants**

8 “(a) AUTHORITY.—The Administrator of the Federal
9 Transit Administration shall award grants to entities de-
10 scribed in subsection (b) to support activities that expand
11 public transportation in rural and urban areas with lim-
12 ited or no access to such transportation.

13 “(b) ELIGIBLE ENTITIES.—To be eligible to be
14 awarded a grant under subsection (a), an entity shall be—

15 “(1) an entity designated to receive mass tran-
16 sit funds under section 5307(a), 5311(a), or
17 5339(a)(4);

1 “(2) a State or local government or other polit-
2 ical subdivision of a State or multijurisdictional
3 group;

4 “(3) a transit agency;

5 “(4) a metropolitan planning organization rep-
6 resenting a population of over 200,000 individuals;

7 “(5) a private for profit, or non-profit provider
8 of public transportation working in connection with
9 any entity described in paragraphs (1) through (4);
10 or

11 “(6) a provider of public transportation working
12 in connection with any entity described in para-
13 graphs (1) through (4).

14 “(c) ELIGIBLE PURPOSES OF GRANTS.—The Admin-
15 istrator may award a grant under subsection (a) for either
16 or both of the following purposes:

17 “(1) To integrate innovation in public transpor-
18 tation to—

19 “(A) expand access to high-frequency tran-
20 sit;

21 “(B) improve operational efficiency of pub-
22 lic transportation; or

23 “(C) increase and improve access to public
24 transportation.

1 “(2) To expand high-performing public trans-
2 portation business models that—

3 “(A) increase access to public transpor-
4 tation; and

5 “(B) collect not less than 90 percent of op-
6 erating costs through fare-box revenue or a
7 dedicated source of funding.

8 “(d) ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES.—An entity awarded a
9 grant under subsection (a) shall provide for one or more
10 of the activities described in this subsection to carry out
11 either or both eligible purposes specified in subsection (c).
12 Such activities include the following:

13 “(1) First-mile and last-mile shuttles that con-
14 nect riders to a high-frequency transit service.

15 “(2) Micro-transit.

16 “(3) Commuter busing.

17 “(4) Commuter highway vehicles.

18 “(5) Traveler information, trip planning infor-
19 mation, and integrated payment solutions.

20 “(6) Any other transit service that the Adminis-
21 trator determines appropriate to meet the purposes
22 of either or both of the purposes described in para-
23 graphs (1) or (2) of subsection (c).

24 “(e) APPLICATION.—To be eligible to be awarded a
25 grant under subsection (a), an entity shall submit to the

1 Administrator an application in such manner, and accom-
2 panied by such information as the Administrator may re-
3 quire, including the following information:

4 “(1) A summary of each proposed activity de-
5 scribed in subsection (d), including the following in-
6 formation:

7 “(A) A description of the service area of
8 the proposed activity.

9 “(B) A description of how the proposed ac-
10 tivity will improve access to public transpor-
11 tation.

12 “(C) If providing a new transit service, an
13 estimate of the ridership for the service area re-
14 ferred to in subparagraph (A).

15 “(D) If providing a new transit service, an
16 estimate of the operating cost, anticipated fare-
17 box revenue, and other sources of revenue for
18 the new service.

19 “(E) If providing an operational improve-
20 ment, a description of how the proposed activity
21 will improve customer service, operational costs,
22 and increase ridership.

23 “(2) A certification of compliance by the entity
24 that each proposed activity described in subsection

1 (d) will meet the following requirements, as appro-
2 priate:

3 “(A) The proposed activity will not dupli-
4 cate a high-frequency transit service provided
5 by public or private transit in the service area
6 referred to in paragraph (1)(A).

7 “(B) The proposed activity will improve ac-
8 cess to public transportation in the service area
9 referred to in paragraph (1)(A).

10 “(C) The proposed activity will provide a
11 public transportation service for the purposes of
12 this chapter.

13 “(D) The proposed activity will comply
14 with the applicable rules, regulations, and poli-
15 cies of the Federal Transit Administration.

16 “(E) In the case of a grant awarded to
17 meet the purpose described in subsection (c)(2),
18 the proposed activity will provide for all oper-
19 ating costs through fare-box revenue or other
20 non-Federal funding.

21 “(f) LIMITATIONS.—

22 “(1) PERIOD OF GRANT.—A grant shall be for
23 a 4-year period beginning on the date of the first
24 payment of any amount under the grant to the enti-
25 ty awarded a grant.

1 “(2) RURAL GRANT MINIMUM.—The Adminis-
2 trator shall award not less than 10 percent of the
3 total amounts made available under this section for
4 a fiscal year to support activities described under
5 subsection (d) in rural areas.

6 “(3) MATCHING REQUIREMENT.—The Federal
7 share of the total project cost may not exceed 80
8 percent.

9 “(4) RECAPTURE OF UNUSED AMOUNTS.—If an
10 entity awarded a grant has not obligated any
11 amounts after the expiration of the 4-year period de-
12 scribed in paragraph (1), the Administrator shall—

13 “(A) recapture the unobligated amounts;
14 and

15 “(B) make such amounts available for
16 grants to other entities under subsection (a).

17 “(5) SINGLE ENTITY.—The Administrator may
18 not award more than 25 percent of the total
19 amounts made available under this section to a sin-
20 gle entity.

21 “(6) SINGLE PROJECT.—The Administrator
22 may not award more than 25 percent of the total
23 amounts made available under this section to an en-
24 tity to provide a single proposed activity described in
25 paragraphs (1) through (6) of subsection (d).

1 “(g) REPORTING.—

2 “(1) URBAN ENTITY.—An entity awarded a
3 grant under subsection (a) that is located in an
4 urban area shall submit to the designated recipient
5 responsible for submissions to the National Transit
6 Database under section 5335 all appropriate data.

7 “(2) RURAL ENTITY.—An entity awarded a
8 grant that is located in a rural area shall submit to
9 the designated State or regional transit authority re-
10 sponsible for submissions to the National Transit
11 Database under section 5335 all appropriate data.

12 “(3) GENERATED FUNDING.—A designated re-
13 cipient or designated State or regional transit au-
14 thority described in paragraphs (1) or (2), respec-
15 tively, that receives data from an entity with respect
16 to an activity shall use not less than 90 percent of
17 the funding generated from the submission of data
18 described in such subparagraphs for continued cap-
19 ital assistance of the new activity to the extent al-
20 lowable and if—

21 “(A) continued capital assistance of the ac-
22 tivity is needed;

23 “(B) the activity being provided has met
24 the conditions of subsection (e)(2); and

1 “(C) the Administrator has not approved a
2 letter of appeal made by the metropolitan plan-
3 ning agency for the region opposing continu-
4 ation of the activity because the activity caused
5 a negative impact on other aspects of the trans-
6 portation plan of the region, and the plan has
7 been vetted by the public and cites to relevant
8 and verifiable data.

9 “(h) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

10 “(1) COMMUTER HIGHWAY VEHICLE.—The
11 term ‘commuter highway vehicle’ has the meaning
12 given such term in section 132(f)(5)(B) of the Inter-
13 nal Revenue Code of 1986.

14 “(2) HEAD-WAY.—The term ‘head-way’ means
15 the amount of time between vehicles in a fixed-route
16 transit system.

17 “(3) HIGH-FREQUENCY TRANSIT.—The term
18 ‘high-frequency transit’ means public transportation
19 routes that provide a head-way of not greater than
20 15 minutes during peak service hours.

21 “(4) HIGH-PERFORMING PUBLIC TRANSPOR-
22 TATION.—The term ‘high-performing public trans-
23 portation’ means a public transportation service,
24 whether provided by a public agency, private non-
25 profit, or for-profit organization, that is able to col-

1 lect all operating costs through fare-box revenue or
2 other dedicated sources for an activity and increases
3 access to public transportation.

4 “(5) MICRO-TRANSIT.—The term ‘micro-transit’
5 means internet-enabled, public transportation serv-
6 ices that use dynamically generated routes calculated
7 by algorithms developed to increase the occupancy of
8 vehicles.

9 “(6) RURAL AREA.—The term ‘rural area’ has
10 the meaning given such term in section 101(a)(29)
11 of title 23.”.

12 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The analysis for chap-
13 ter 53 of title 49, United States Code, is amended by add-
14 ing at the end the following:

“5341. Innovative mobility and high-performing transportation grants.”.

