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## Congress Passes Two-Month Extension of Transportation Funding

Earlier today Congress approved a two-month patch to extend through July 31st the current transportation authorization measure set to expire on May 31st. As the deadline approached, both chambers realized that they would run out of time to consider a long-term funding measure. Initially, Republicans favored an extension through December, but sided with the shorter term measure to avoid revenue considerations that would need to be addressed even with passage of an extension of the programs. Both parties cited reluctance in passing the measure, reiterating that Congress needs to act collectively to address transportation programs for multiple years. In a largely symbolic gesture, citing the lack of alternative plans for long-term extensions, House Democrats officially introduced the Obama Administration's six-year \$478 billion measure, known as the GROW AMERICA Act, which has been summarized and is available on the [AAMVA website](http://aamva.org).

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