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## U.S. House of Representatives Releases Draft Surface Transportation Reauthorization and Reform Act of 2015

The U.S. House of Representatives has unveiled their own six-year surface transportation reauthorization measure Friday morning. The release comes just in advance of a scheduled House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee markup of the legislation currently scheduled for Thursday, October 22nd.

The measure continues to provide authorization for a full six years after House Ways and Means Committee leadership indicated that the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee should move ahead without reliance on a tax overhaul measure to supplement the three years' worth of funding identified in the Senate-passed reauthorization measure (HR 22).

AAMVA will have a full legislative analysis on the measure available in the coming days. Early review indicates that the bill makes some significant changes to existing policy. [Through a press release](#), the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee indicated these changes include consolidating and eliminating certain offices within the U.S. Department of Transportation, streamlining environmental review and permitting processes, providing more flexibility and decision-making to states and local governments to allow them to better address their priorities and needs, overhauling federal truck and bus safety grant programs and rulemaking processes, and to reform truck and bus safety programs.

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