

118TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

S. 4107

AN ACT

To require Amtrak to report to Congress information on Amtrak compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 with respect to trains and stations.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Think Differently
3 Transportation Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. REPORT ON AMTRAK ADA COMPLIANCE.**

5 Section 24315(b) of title 49, United States Code, is
6 amended—

7 (1) in paragraph (1)—

8 (A) in subparagraph (B), by striking
9 “and” at the end;

10 (B) in subparagraph (C), by striking the
11 period at the end and inserting a semicolon;
12 and

13 (C) by adding at the end the following:

14 “(D) shall include an action plan for bringing
15 Amtrak-served stations that are not in compliance
16 with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42
17 U.S.C. 12101 et seq.) into compliance with such
18 Act, as required by the settlement agreement en-
19 tered into in 2020 between Amtrak and the Depart-
20 ment of Justice;

21 “(E) shall include a status report on—

22 “(i) Amtrak-served stations for which Am-
23 trak is solely responsible for compliance with
24 such Act based on a station assessment carried
25 out by Amtrak, including a timeline for any re-

1 quired compliance with such Act, as required by
2 the settlement agreement;

3 “(ii) Amtrak-served stations for which Am-
4 trak has a shared responsibility for compliance
5 with such Act based on a station assessment
6 carried out by Amtrak or by the party respon-
7 sible for such compliance, including a timeline
8 for any required compliance with such Act for
9 the portions of the station for which Amtrak is
10 the responsible party consistent with the terms
11 of the settlement agreement, identifying who is
12 responsible for compliance (and the status of
13 the compliance of each responsible party with
14 such Act) for such portions and the timeline for
15 compliance in cases in which Amtrak is not the
16 responsible party; and

17 “(iii) the status of compliance with such
18 Act for all Amtrak-served stations for which
19 Amtrak is not the responsible party, nor is re-
20 sponsible for a portion of the station, and iden-
21 tify the entity or entities that have responsi-
22 bility for compliance with such Act, based on a
23 station assessment carried out by Amtrak or
24 the party responsible under such Act.”; and

25 (2) by adding at the end the following:

1 “(3) Amtrak may meet the requirements described in
2 clauses (ii) and (iii) of paragraph (1)(E) by demonstrating
3 that Amtrak took reasonable measures to obtain coopera-
4 tion from responsible entities.

5 “(4) Amtrak shall submit the action plan and status
6 report required under subparagraphs (D) and (E) of para-
7 graph (1)—

8 “(A) annually while the settlement agreement
9 referred to in paragraph (1)(D) is in effect; and

10 “(B) every 5 years beginning on the first day
11 the settlement is no longer in effect.”.

Passed the Senate December 3, 2024.

Attest:

Secretary.

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