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H. R. 3730

To direct the Chairman of the Surface Transportation Board to establish an advisory committee on rail electrification, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 4, 2025

Mr. MULLIN introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

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

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Forging Ahead on Rail
5 Electrification Act” or the “FARE Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON RAIL ELECTRIFICATION.**

7 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Chairman of the Surface
8 Transportation Board shall establish an advisory com-

1 mittee on rail electrification to study and issue rec-
2 ommendations regarding barriers to rail electrification, in-
3 cluding research and development needs to mitigate such
4 barriers.

5 (b) MEMBERSHIP.—The members of the advisory
6 committee established under subsection (a) shall represent
7 a balance of interested and affected parties, including—

- 8 (1) passenger railroads;
- 9 (2) freight railroads;
- 10 (3) electric utilities;
- 11 (4) electric equipment manufacturers;
- 12 (5) rail equipment manufacturers;
- 13 (6) State governments; and
- 14 (7) relevant Federal agencies.

15 (c) REPORT.—Not later than 2 years after the date
16 of enactment of this Act, and every 2 years thereafter until
17 the date described in subsection (d), the Chairman of the
18 Surface Transportation Board shall submit to the Com-
19 mittee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House
20 of Representatives and the Committee on Commerce,
21 Science, and Transportation of the Senate a report on the
22 study and recommendations of the advisory committee de-
23 scribed in subsection (a).

1 (d) TERMINATION.—The advisory committee shall be
2 terminated on the date that is 10 years after the date of
3 enactment of this Act.

