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S. 616

To amend titles 23 and 49, United States Code, to improve the designation of metropolitan planning organizations, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 17, 1997

Mr. ALLARD introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works

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. DESIGNATION OF METROPOLITAN PLANNING**
4 **ORGANIZATIONS UNDER HIGHWAY PRO-**
5 **GRAM.**

6 (a) PERCENTAGE OF POPULATION REPRESENTED.—
7 Section 134(b) of title 23, United States Code, is amended
8 in each of paragraphs (1), (4), and (5)(A) by striking “75
9 percent” and inserting “50 percent”.

1 (b) VETO POWER.—Section 134(b) of title 23, United
 2 States Code, is amended in paragraphs (1) and (5) by
 3 striking the parenthetical phrase that begins with “(in-
 4 cluding” each place it appears.

5 (c) AUTONOMY.—Section 134(e) of title 23, United
 6 States Code, is amended by striking “and the State” and
 7 all that follows through the period at the end and inserting
 8 the following: “to ensure compliance with the plans and
 9 programs required by this section. It is the responsibility
 10 of the applicable State to provide oversight in an area with
 11 multiple metropolitan planning organizations.”.

12 **SEC. 2. DESIGNATION OF METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGA-**
 13 **NIZATIONS UNDER TRANSIT PROGRAM.**

14 (a) PERCENTAGE OF POPULATION REPRESENTED.—
 15 Section 5303(c) of title 49, United States Code, is amend-
 16 ed in each of paragraphs (1)(A), (4)(B)(i), and (5)(A) by
 17 striking “75 percent” and inserting “50 percent”.

18 (b) VETO POWER.—Section 5303(c) of title 49, Unit-
 19 ed States Code, is amended in paragraphs (1)(A) and (5)
 20 by striking the parenthetical phrase that begins with “(in-
 21 cluding” each place it appears.

22 (c) AUTONOMY.—Section 5303(e)(3) of title 49,
 23 United States Code, is amended by striking “and the
 24 State” and all that follows through the period at the end
 25 and inserting the following: “to ensure compliance with

1 the plans and programs required by this section. It is the
2 responsibility of the applicable State to provide oversight
3 in an area with multiple metropolitan planning organiza-
4 tions.”.

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