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# H. R. 3583

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 8, 2000

Mr. LINDER (for himself, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. BISHOP, Mr. NORWOOD, Mr. COLLINS, and Mr. ISAKSON) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Commerce

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## 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 “Transit and Air Qual-  
5 ity Improvement Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. EXEMPTION OF MASS TRANSIT PROJECTS FROM**  
7 **CONFORMITY REQUIREMENTS.**

8 Section 176(c)(4) of the Clean Air Act is amended  
9 by adding the following at the end thereof:

1       “(D) For purposes of this subsection, mass transit  
2 projects shall be treated, by operation of law, as con-  
3 forming to the applicable implementation plan and no de-  
4 termination or assurance of conformity shall be required  
5 with respect to any such project. As used in this  
6 subparagraph—

7           “(i) the term ‘mass transit project’ means a  
8 project for (I) fixed guideway modernization, (II)  
9 new fixed guideway systems, and extensions to exist-  
10 ing fixed guideway systems, and (III) replacement,  
11 rehabilitation, and purchase of buses and related  
12 equipment and construction of bus-related facilities,  
13 and

14           “(ii) the term ‘fixed guideway’ has the meaning  
15 such term as under section 5302 of title 49, United  
16 States Code.”.

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