106TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

H. R. 3630

To amend title 23, United States Code, to make certain passenger rail projects eligible for funding under the highway program, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

February 10, 2000

Mr. Isakson introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

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. FUNDING FLEXIBILITY AND HIGH SPEED RAIL
- 4 CORRIDORS.
- 5 (a) Eligibility of Passenger Rail for Highway
- 6 Funding.—
- 7 (1) National Highway System.—Section
- 8 103(b)(6) of title 23, United States Code, is amend-
- 9 ed by adding at the end the following:

1	"(Q) Acquisition, construction, reconstruc-
2	tion, and rehabilitation of, and preventative
3	maintenance for, intercity rail passenger facili-
4	ties and rolling stock.".
5	(2) Surface transportation program.—
6	Section 133(b)(2) of title 23, United States Code, is
7	amended by inserting before the period at the end
8	the following: ", rail, or a combination of bus and
9	rail".
10	(3) Congestion mitigation and air quality
11	IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM.—Section 149(b) of title
12	23, United States Code, is amended—
13	(A) in paragraph (4), by striking "or" at
14	the end;
15	(B) in paragraph (5), by striking the pe-
16	riod at the end and inserting "; or"; and
17	(C) by adding at the end the following:
18	"(6) if the project or program will have air
19	quality benefits through acquisition, construction, re-
20	construction, and rehabilitation of, and preventative
21	maintenance for, intercity rail passenger facilities
22	and rolling stock.".
23	(b) Transfer of Highway and Transit Funds
24	TO AMTRAK AND PUBLICLY-OWNED PASSENGER RAIL

LINES.—Section 104(k) of title 23, United States Code, 2 is amended— 3 (1) by redesignating paragraph (3) as para-4 graph(4);5 (2) by inserting after paragraph (2) the fol-6 lowing: "(3) Transfer to amtrak and publicly-7 8 OWNED PASSENGER RAIL LINES.—Funds made 9 available under this title or chapter 53 of title 49 10 and transferred to the National Railroad Passenger 11 Corporation or to any publicly-owned intercity or in-12 tracity passenger rail line shall be administered by 13 the Secretary in accordance with subtitle V of title 14 49, except that the provisions of this title or chapter 15 53 of title 49, as applicable, relating to the non-Fed-16 eral share shall apply to the transferred funds."; and 17 (3) in paragraph (4) (as redesignated by para-18 graph (1)), by striking "paragraphs (1) and (2)" 19 and inserting "paragraphs (1) through (3)".

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