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# H. R. 2940

To amend titles 23 and 49, United States Code, to promote the integration of local land use planning and transportation planning.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

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## A BILL

To amend titles 23 and 49, United States Code, to promote the integration of local land use planning and transportation planning.

1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4       This Act may be cited as the “Growing Smarter  
5 Through Transportation Infrastructure Act of 2003”.

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

7       Congress finds the following:

8           (1) It is in the national interest to encourage  
9       States and local governments to integrate land use  
10      planning with transportation planning in order to—

4 (B) stimulate the revitalization of established urban centers while meeting the Nation's  
5 immediate and long-term transportation needs.

15 (3) Conservation and preservation of undevel-  
16 oped open spaces and farmland are consistent with  
17 economic development.

## 18 SEC. 3 HIGHWAY PLANNING

19 (a) METROPOLITAN PLANNING —

20 (1) SCOPE OF PLANNING PROCESS.—Section  
21 134(f)(1) of title 23, United States Code, is amend-  
22 ed—

23 (A) by striking “and” at the end of sub-  
24 paragraph (F);

6 (2) LONG-RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN.—

7       Section 134(g) of such title is amended by adding at  
8       the end the following:

9                     “(7) COORDINATION WITH AFFECTED UNITS OF  
10                     LOCAL GOVERNMENT.—The metropolitan planning  
11                     organization shall coordinate the development of the  
12                     long-range transportation plan with affected units of  
13                     general purpose local government to ensure consist-  
14                     ency with local land use plans.”.

18        "(p) LOCAL LAND USE PLAN DEFINED.—In this  
19 section and section 135, the term 'local land use plan'  
20 means a municipal, multimunicipal, county, or multi-  
21 county comprehensive plan or transportation improvement  
22 plan.".

23 (b) STATEWIDE PLANNING.—

4 (A) by striking “and” at the end of sub-  
5 paragraph (F);

6 (B) by striking the period at the end of  
7 subparagraph (G) and inserting “; and”; and

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

9                   “(H) ensure consistency with local land  
10                use plans.”.

11 (2) LONG-RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN.—  
12 Section 135(e) of such title is amended by adding at  
13 the end the following:

14                   “(6) COORDINATION WITH AFFECTED UNITS OF  
15                   LOCAL GOVERNMENT.—The State shall coordinate  
16                   the development of the long-range transportation  
17                   plan with affected units of general purpose local gov-  
18                   ernment to ensure consistency with local land use  
19                   plans.”.

## 20 SEC. 4. TRANSIT PLANNING.

## 21 (a) METROPOLITAN PLANNING.—

22 (1) SCOPE OF PLANNING PROCESS.—Section  
23 5303(b) of title 49, United States Code, is amend-  
24 ed—

1 (A) by striking “and” at the end of sub-  
2 paragraph (F);

3 (B) by striking the period at the end of  
4 subparagraph (G) and inserting “; and”; and

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

6                           “(H) ensure consistency with local land  
7                           use plans.”.

8 (2) LONG-RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN.—

9       Section 5303(f) of such title is amended by adding  
10      at the end the following:

11                     “(7) COORDINATION WITH AFFECTED UNITS OF  
12                     LOCAL GOVERNMENT.—The metropolitan planning  
13                     organization shall coordinate the development of the  
14                     long-range transportation plan with affected units of  
15                     general purpose local government to ensure consist-  
16                     ency with local land use plans.”.

“(i) LOCAL LAND USE PLAN DEFINED.—In this section and section 5304, the term ‘local land use plan’ means a municipal, multimunicipal, county, or multicounty comprehensive plan or transportation improvement plan.”.

