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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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

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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 “EnergySmart Trans-  
5 port Corridors Act of 2009”.

6 **SEC. 2. ENERGYSMART TRANSPORT CORRIDORS PROGRAM.**

7 (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

1           (1) ADMINISTRATOR.—The term “Adminis-  
2           trator” means the Administrator of the Environ-  
3           mental Protection Agency.

4           (2) INTERSTATE SYSTEM.—The term “Inter-  
5           state System” has the meaning given the term in  
6           section 101(a) of title 23, United States Code.

7           (3) PROGRAM.—The term “Program” means  
8           the EnergySmart Transport Corridor program es-  
9           tablished under subsection (b).

10          (4) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means  
11          the Secretary of Transportation.

12          (b) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than 120 days after  
13          the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary, in con-  
14          sultation with the Administrator, shall establish an  
15          EnergySmart Transport Corridor program in accordance  
16          with this section.

17          (c) REQUIREMENTS.—In carrying out the Program,  
18          the Secretary shall coordinate the planning and deploy-  
19          ment of measures that will increase the energy efficiency  
20          of the Interstate System and reduce the emission of green-  
21          house gases and other environmental pollutants, including  
22          by—

23                (1) increasing the availability and standardiza-  
24                tion of anti-idling equipment;

1           (2) increasing the availability of alternative,  
2       low-carbon transportation fuels;

3           (3) coordinating and adjusting vehicle weight  
4       limits for both existing and future highways on the  
5       Interstate System;

6           (4) coordinating and expanding intermodal  
7       shipment capabilities;

8           (5) coordinating and adjusting time of service  
9       restrictions; and

10          (6) planning and identifying future construction  
11       within the Interstate System.

12       (d) DESIGNATION OF CORRIDORS.—

13           (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary, in consulta-  
14       tion with the Administrator and with the concur-  
15       rence of the Governors of the States in which  
16       EnergySmart transport corridors are to be located,  
17       and in consultation with the appropriate advisory  
18       committees established under paragraph (3), shall  
19       designate EnergySmart transport corridors in ac-  
20       cordance with the requirements described in sub-  
21       section (c).

22           (2) INTERMODAL FACILITIES AND OTHER SUR-  
23       FACE TRANSPORTATION MODES.—In designating  
24       EnergySmart transport corridors, the Secretary may  
25       include—

(A) intermodal passenger and freight transfer facilities, particularly those that use measures to significantly increase the energy efficiency of the Interstate System and reduce greenhouse gas emissions and other environmental pollutants; and

(B) other surface transportation modes.

(3) ADVISORY COMMITTEES.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary, in consultation with the Governors of the States in which EnergySmart transport corridors are to be located, may establish advisory committees to assist in the designation of individual EnergySmart transport corridors.

(B) MEMBERSHIP.—The advisory committees established under this paragraph shall include representatives of interests affected by the designation of EnergySmart transport corridors, including—

- (i) freight and trucking companies;
- (ii) vehicle and vehicle equipment manufacturers and retailers;
- (iii) independent owners and operators;

1 (iv) conventional and alternative fuel  
2 providers; and

3 (v) local transportation, planning, and  
4 energy agencies.

5 (e) PRIORITY.—In allocating funds for Federal high-  
6 way programs, the Secretary shall give special consider-  
7 ation and priority to projects and programs that enable  
8 deployment and operation of EnergySmart transport cor-  
9 ridors.

10 (f) GRANTS.—In carrying out the Program, the Sec-  
11 retary may provide grants to States to assist in the plan-  
12 ning, designation, development, and maintenance of  
13 EnergySmart transport corridors.

14 (g) ANNUAL REPORT.—Each fiscal year, the Sec-  
15 retary shall submit to the appropriate committees of Con-  
16 gress a report describing activities carried out under the  
17 Program during the preceding fiscal year.

18 (h) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is  
19 authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary to carry  
20 out this section \$25,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2010  
21 through 2015.

22 **SEC. 3. REDUCTION OF ENGINE IDLING.**

23 Section 756(b)(4)(B) of the Energy Policy Act of  
24 2005 (42 U.S.C. 16104(b)(4)(B)) is amended by striking  
25 “for fiscal year 2008” each place it appears in clauses (i)

1 and (ii) and inserting “for each of fiscal years 2008  
2 through 2015”.

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