AMENDMENT TO THE RULES COMMITTEE PRINT
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Page 729, strike line 10 and all that follows through page 738, line 25, and insert the following:

SEC. 7021. UNIVERSITY TRANSPORTATION RESEARCH.

Section 5506 of title 49, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in subsection (e)—

(A) in paragraph (1)—

(i) by striking “2005” and inserting “2012”;

(ii) by striking “2009” and inserting “2015”; and

(iii) in subparagraph (B), by striking “10” and inserting “15”;

(B) in paragraph (2)—

(i) in subparagraph (A)—

(I) by striking “2006” and inserting “2012”; 

(II) by striking “2009” and inserting “2015”; and
(III) by striking “22” and inserting “20”;

(ii) by striking subparagraph (B) and inserting the following:

“(B) COMPETITION.—Not later than June 30, 2012, and not later than June 30 of every 4th year thereafter, the Secretary shall complete a competition among nonprofit institutions of higher learning for grants to establish and operate the 20 Tier II university transportation centers referred to in subparagraph (A).

“(C) SELECTION CRITERIA.—In conducting a competition under subparagraph (B), the Secretary shall select a nonprofit institution of higher learning on the basis of—

“(i) the criteria described in subsection (d)(2);

“(ii) the location of the center within the Federal region to be served; and

“(iii) whether or not the institution (or, in the case of a consortium of institutions, the lead institution) demonstrates that it has a well-established, nationally-recognized program in transportation research and education, as evidenced by—
“(I) not less than $2,000,000 in highway or public transportation research expenditures each year for each of the preceding 5 years;

“(II) not less than 10 graduate degrees awarded in professional fields closely related to highways and public transportation each year for each of the preceding 5 years; and

“(III) not less than 3 tenured or tenure-track faculty members who specialize on a full-time basis in professional fields closely related to highways and public transportation who, as a group, have published a total of at least 15 refereed journal publications, published once per year per faculty over a 5-year period, on highway or public transportation research during the preceding 5 years.”;

(2) in subsection (d)—

(A) in paragraph (1), by striking “subsection (c)(1)” and inserting “subsection (e)(1)”;

and
(B) in paragraph (2), by striking “subsection (e)(1)” and inserting “subsection (e)”;

(3) in subsection (e)—

(A) in paragraph (1), by striking “2000” and inserting “2012”;

(B) by striking paragraph (4); and

(C) by redesignating paragraph (5) as paragraph (4), and in such paragraph, by striking “center of—” and all that follows through the end of such paragraph and inserting “center of $3,500,000 for fiscal years 2012 through 2015.”;

(4) in subsection (f)—

(A) in paragraph (1)—

(i) by striking “2006” and inserting “2012”;

(ii) by striking “10” and inserting “15”; and

(B) by striking paragraph (4);

(C) by redesignating paragraph (5) as paragraph (4), and in such paragraph—

(i) by striking “$1,000,000” and inserting “$2,000,000”;  

(ii) by striking “2005” and inserting “2012”; and
(iii) by striking “2009” and inserting “2015”; 

(5) in subsection (g)—

(A) in paragraph (1), by striking “22” and inserting “20”; and

(B) in paragraph (2)—

(i) by striking “2006” and inserting “2012”; and

(ii) by striking “2009” and inserting “2015”; and

(6) in subsection (k)(3)—

(A) by striking “2008” and inserting “2015”; and

(B) by striking “2009” and inserting “2016”.

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