

AMENDMENT TO
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Page 927, after line 16, insert the following new section:

1 **SEC. 17____. RAIL INFRASTRUCTURE CYBERSECURITY EN-**
2 **HANCEMENT.**

3 (a) ESTABLISHMENT OF STRATEGIC RAILROAD CY-
4 BERSECURITY ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM.—

5 (1) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than 180 days
6 after the date of enactment of this Act, the Adminis-
7 trator, in consultation with the Secretary of Defense
8 and Administrator of the Federal Railroad Adminis-
9 tration, shall establish a program to provide grants
10 to eligible railroads to assist in financing the cost of
11 improving the cybersecurity of freight rail transpor-
12 tation systems.

13 (2) ALLOCATION OF GRANTS.—The Adminis-
14 trator shall allocate funding to eligible railroads
15 based on predetermined criteria, as determined by
16 the Administrator in consultation with the Secretary
17 of Defense, including—

1 (A) the strategic value to national security
2 and military readiness;

3 (B) the volume of hazardous or otherwise
4 sensitive cargo; and

5 (C) the available alternative transportation
6 routes for military equipment.

7 (3) APPLICATION.—An eligible railroad seeking
8 a grant under paragraph (1) shall submit to the Ad-
9 ministrator an application at such time, in such
10 manner, and containing such information as the Ad-
11 ministrator may require.

12 (4) PROTECTION OF INFORMATION.—Informa-
13 tion provided to, or collected by, the Administrator
14 to carry out this subsection—

15 (A) shall be exempt from disclosure under
16 section 552(b)(3) of title 5, United States Code;
17 and

18 (B) shall not be made available by any
19 Federal agency, State, political subdivision of a
20 State, or Tribal authority pursuant to any Fed-
21 eral, State, political subdivision of a State, or
22 Tribal law, respectively, requiring public disclo-
23 sure of information of records.

24 (5) IMPLEMENTATION PERIOD.—The funds
25 under paragraph (2) is payable for months begin-

1 ning on or after the date that is one year after the
2 date of enactment of this Act.

3 (b) REPORTS TO CONGRESS.—

4 (1) INTERIM REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later
5 than 18 months after the date of enactment of this
6 Act, the Administrator shall submit to the relevant
7 congressional committees an interim report on the
8 status of the Administrator's actions taken to carry
9 out the grant program established under subsection
10 (a)(1), including—

11 (A) the justification and criteria used for
12 the selection of each eligible railroad applicant;
13 and

14 (B) any challenges encountered during the
15 implementation of the program.

16 (2) FINAL REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later
17 than 90 days after the date on which the Program
18 terminates under subsection (d), the Administrator
19 shall submit to relevant congressional committees a
20 report that describes the administration of the grant
21 program, including—

22 (A) the outcome and benefits that each
23 such eligible railroad has generated measured
24 by data, to the maximum extent practicable;

1 (B) the lessons learned and any rec-
2 ommendations relating to future cybersecurity-
3 related programs or strategies to improve the
4 cybersecurity posture of railroad networks
5 across the United States;

6 (C) a description of lessons learned
7 through the identification and mitigation of cy-
8 bersecurity vulnerabilities;

9 (D) how the Administrator will incorporate
10 any such lessons or best practices into Federal
11 standards or guidance for the railroad net-
12 works; and

13 (E) recommendations for improvement of
14 the program, including any suggested adjust-
15 ments to the implementation requirements,
16 cost-effectiveness of the grant, and any addi-
17 tional information the Administrator determines
18 necessary.

19 (c) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is
20 authorized to be appropriated to the Administrator
21 \$50,000,000 for each fiscal years 2026 through 2029 to
22 carry out this section.

23 (d) TERMINATION.—The authority to carry out the
24 Program shall terminate on September 30, 2029.

25 (e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

1 (1) ADMINISTRATOR.—The term “Adminis-
2 trator” means the Administrator of the Transpor-
3 tation Security Administration.

4 (2) CLASS I RAILROAD.—The term “Class I
5 railroad” has the meaning given the term “railroad
6 carriers” in section 1201.1–1 of title 49, Code of
7 Federal Regulations.

8 (3) ELIGIBLE RAILROADS.—The term “eligible
9 railroads” means all railroads subject to rail security
10 regulations governing security-sensitive railroads
11 identified under section 1580.101 of title 49, Code
12 of Federal Regulations, except railroads that are
13 Class I railroads—

14 (A) operating on a line designated as De-
15 fense Connectors by the Department of De-
16 fense;

17 (B) operating on a line listed as a part of
18 the Strategic Rail Corridor Network; or

19 (C) serving as critical connectors between
20 Class I freight railroads.

21 (4) RELEVANT CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-
22 TEES.—The term “relevant congressional commit-
23 tees” means—

24 (A) the congressional defense committees;

1 (B) the Committee on Homeland Security
2 and Governmental Affairs of the Senate;

3 (C) the Committee on Homeland Security
4 of the House of Representatives;

5 (D) the Committee on Commerce, Science,
6 and Transportation of the Senate; and

7 (E) the Committee on Transportation and
8 Infrastructure of the House of Representatives.

9 (5) STRATEGIC RAIL CORRIDOR NETWORK.—

10 The term “Strategic Rail Corridor Network” means
11 the railroad corridor network designated by the De-
12 partment of Defense and the Federal Railroad Ad-
13 ministration as critical for the movement of essential
14 military equipment.

