AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 116–54

Offered by Mrs. Torres of California

Page 499, after line 22, insert the following:

1 SEC. 1632. GAO STUDY ON VMT EQUITY.

2 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than 2 years after
3 the date of enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General
4 of the United States shall carry out a study on the impact
5 of equity issues associated with per-mile user fee funding
6 systems on the surface transportation system.

7 (b) CONTENTS.—The study under subsection (a)
8 shall include the following with respect to per-mile user
9 fee systems:

10 (1) The financial, social, and other impacts of
11 per-mile user fee systems on individuals, including
12 both men and women drivers, low-income individ-
13 uals, and individuals of different races;

14 (2) The impact that access to alternative modes
15 of transportation, including public transportation,
16 has in carrying out per-mile user fee systems;

17 (3) The ability to access jobs and services,
18 which may include healthcare facilities, child care,
19 education and workforce training, food sources,
banking and other financial institutions, and other
retail shopping establishments;

(4) Equity issues for low-income individuals in
urban and rural areas; and

(5) Any differing impacts on passenger vehicles
and commercial vehicles.

(e) INCLUSIONS.—In carrying out the study under
subsection (a), the Comptroller General shall include an
analysis of the following programs:

(1) The State surface transportation system
funding pilot program under section 6020 of the
FAST Act; and

(2) The national surface transportation system
funding pilot under section 5402 of this Act.

(d) REPORT.—Not later than 2 years after the date
of the enactment after this Act, the Comptroller General
shall submit to the Committee on Transportation and In-
frastructure of the House of Representatives and the Com-
mittee on Environment and Public Works of the Senate,
and make publicly available, a report containing the re-
sults of the study under subsection (a), including rec-
ommendations for how to equitably implement per-mile
user fee systems.

(e) DEFINITIONS.—
(1) **PER-MILE USER FEE.**—The term “per-mile user fee” means a revenue mechanism that—

(A) is applied to road users operating motor vehicles on the surface transportation system; and

(B) is based on the number of vehicle miles traveled by an individual road user.

(2) **COMMERCIAL VEHICLE.**—The term “commercial vehicle” has the meaning given the term commercial motor vehicle in section 31101 of title 49, United States Code.

Page 925, line 4, strike “and” at the end.

Page 925, line 6, strike the period at the end and insert “and”.

Page 927, after line 6, insert the following:

(F) advocacy groups focused on equity.

Page 927, line 15, strike “and” at the end.

Page 927, line 19, strike the period at the end and insert “; and”.

Page 927, after line 19, insert the following:
(4) equity effects of the pilot program, including the effects of the program on low-income commuters.