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U.S. MAYORS APPLAUD CONFERENCE COMMITTEE AGREEMENT ON 'FAST' SURFACE TRANSPORTATION LAW

Washington, D.C. – U.S. Conference of Mayors CEO and Executive Director Tom Cochran today lauded successful House and Senate action on legislation renewing the nation's surface transportation law, which provides more than \$300 billion over five years in federal funding for highway, safety, transit and rail programs, under the "Fixing America's Surface Transportation" Act:

"The Conference of Mayors today is pleased that we are finally moving beyond short-term extensions and now have a long-term renewal of the nation's surface transportation law, providing mayors and local leaders and so many others with more certainty and resources to move forward with critically needed transportation projects.

"We are especially pleased that the conference agreement addresses so many priorities of the nation's mayors, including additional funding commitments to transit and rail systems and to metropolitan and local areas, including funding flexibility for local governments.

"Reaching agreement on a long-term renewal plan is a testament to the hard work and bipartisanship of so many in Congress. The nation's mayors are thankful Congress found common ground for the good of the American people who travel everyday on our bridges and highway, transit and rail systems."

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