

Comparative Analysis of Infrastructure and Surface Transportation Reauthorization Proposals

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Please note: The current surface transportation reauthorization – the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act – is running on a one-year extension. Congress must pass a new surface transportation bill, or another extension, prior to the FAST Act's expiration on September 30, 2021. There is no requirement or legislative deadline for infrastructure legislation. It is possible that surface transportation reauthorization and infrastructure legislation will be combined.

	American Jobs Plan	Senate Republican Infrastructure Plan (May 27, 2021 Proposal)	Senate Environment and Public Works (EPW) Surface Transportation Reauthorization Act of 2021 (STRA-21)	INVEST in America (House Democrats Proposal)	STARTER 2.0 Act (House Republicans Proposal)
Status	Original proposal from the Biden administration.	Counterproposal offered by Republicans.	Reported out of Committee. This is the highway title of the Senate surface transportation reauthorization.	Reported out of Committee.	Introduced; will serve as a starting point for House Republicans in any conference negotiations.
			The other titles will be added by other committees.		
Scope	Highways/bridges, transit, rail, airports, water, broadband, housing, power and energy, education, child care, small businesses and manufacturing.	Highways/bridges, transit, rail, water, airports and broadband.	Highways/bridges.	Highways/bridges, transit, rail, motor carrier and highway safety.	Highways/bridges, transit, rail, motor carrier and highway safety.
Duration	Eight years	Eight years	Five years	Five years	Five years
Total Cost	US\$2.25 trillion	US\$928 billion	US\$303.5 billion	US\$547.9 billion	US\$400 billion
One-time or Reauthorization	One-time, in addition to surface transportation reauthorization.	One-time funding, possibly inclusive of reauthorization.	Reauthorization.	Reauthorization.	Reauthorization.
Transit	US\$85 billion	US\$98 billion	Senate Banking has jurisdiction over this title.	US\$109 billion	US\$50.5 billion, maintains FY2021 levels
Highways	US\$115 billion for modernization (includes bridges)	US\$506 billion US\$800 million for reconnecting communities US\$14 billion for resilience	US\$273.15 billion for federal-aid highway programs	US\$334 billion • US\$275 billion for federal-aid highway programs	US\$311 billion
Ports	US\$17 billion	US\$22 billion	US\$250 million for Reduction of Truck Emissions at Port Facilities	N/A	N/A
Airports	US\$25 billion	US\$56 billion	The bill expands TIFIA program eligibility to certain airport projects through FY2025.	N/A	N/A
Bridges	Included in the US\$115 billion for highway modernization.	Included in the US\$506 billion for highway funding.	US\$6.5 billion for a new bridge investment program	Included in the US\$343 billion for highway funding.	US\$23 billion for the Large Bridges Investment Program
EVs	US\$174 billion	US\$4 billion	US\$2.5 billion for Charging & Fueling Infrastructure Grants	US\$4 billion	None
Rail	US\$80 billion	US\$46 billion	Senate Commerce has jurisdiction over this title.	US\$95 billion	US\$16.5 billion
Housing	US\$300 billion	None	N/A	N/A	N/A
Broadband	US\$100 billion	US\$65 billion	N/A	N/A	N/A
Other	US\$20 billion to reconnect communities	US\$22 billion for Western Water Storage		US\$5.7 billion in Member-designated highway	Increases the cap on Private Activity Bonds
	US\$25 billion for projects that will benefit the regional or national economy	US\$72 billion for water infrastructure		and transit projects (earmarks)	from US\$15 billion to US\$45 billion.
	US\$50 billion for resiliency projects				
Pay-Fors	Raises the corporate tax rate to 28%; strengthens a minimum tax on multinational corporations by doubling its rate to 21% and requiring companies to calculate that tax on a country-by-country basis; and imposes a 15% minimum tax on companies' book income.	Recommends offsetting costs through repurposing COVID-19 relief funding and user fees, among other suggestions.	Does not contain a revenue title, which falls under the jurisdiction of the Senate Finance Committee.	Does not contain a revenue title, which falls under the jurisdiction of the House Ways & Means Committee.	Does not contain a revenue title, which falls under the jurisdiction of the House Ways & Means Committee.

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