

November 4, 2015

The Honorable Paul Ryan  
Speaker  
US House of Representatives  
H-232, The Capitol  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Nancy Pelosi  
Democratic Leader  
U.S. House of Representatives  
H-204, The Capitol  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Bill Shuster  
Chair, Committee on Transportation  
and Infrastructure  
US House of Representatives  
2251 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Peter DeFazio  
Ranking Member, Committee on  
Transportation and Infrastructure  
U.S. House of Representatives  
2164 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Speaker Ryan, Minority Leader Pelosi, Chairman Shuster, and Ranking Member DeFazio:

The American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) is pleased to offer our support for the bipartisan, multi-year Surface Transportation Reauthorization and Reform (STRR) Act of 2015 currently under consideration by the U.S. House of Representatives. AASHTO is a nonprofit, nonpartisan association representing highway and transportation departments in the 50 states, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico.

In addition to the House's passage of the STRR Act this week, we urge both chambers to quickly proceed to conference negotiations so a bill can be sent to the President for his signature prior to the expiration of the current surface transportation extension on November 20th.

Our nation's transportation infrastructure was built through a Federal-State partnership that began more than a century ago. AASHTO looks forward to working with the House and Senate to build on that enduring partnership and enact a robust surface transportation bill that will provide for stable, long-term funding and make the reforms needed to keep America's transportation infrastructure strong.

Sincerely,

  
Bud Wright,  
Executive Director