



October 21, 2015

The Honorable Bill Shuster
U.S. House of Representatives
2251 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Chairman Shuster:

On behalf of the American Bus Association (ABA) and its 3,800 members, I want to thank you, Ranking Member, DeFazio and the entire Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, for your continued leadership and steadfast commitment to pass a multi-year surface transportation reauthorization bill.

ABA fully supports and encourages Committee adoption of the Surface Transportation Reauthorization and Reform Act (STRRA) of 2015. We support passage of STRRA because of the common sense steps taken towards regulatory and CSA reform and improved integration of public-private partnerships in transportation.

ABA's members in both bus operations and tourism work every day to provide safe, cost effective transportation and travel experiences to millions of Americans. Motorcoach travel and tourism produce over \$170 billion in economic impact and support 1.4 million American jobs. STRRA's reforms will help our industry continue to grow while connecting Americans to work, vacation and every point in between.

We applaud your leadership and the work of the Committee to advance a multi-year federal transportation program, and we stand committed to working with you toward the goal of passing legislation this year.

Thank you again for your leadership and support.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Peter J. Pantuso". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Peter J. Pantuso
President and CEO
American Bus Association