

June 2, 2026

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
2413 Rayburn House Office Building
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Ranking Member DeLauro:

As the House Appropriations Committee prepares to consider the Fiscal Year (FY) 2027 Transportation, Housing and Urban Development spending bill, the American Road & Transportation Builders Association urges the committee to restore highway and transit funding to the full FY 2026 enacted levels, reversing the \$15 billion cut approved by the subcommittee on May 21.

We recognize the subcommittee's rationale for continuing only those programs supported by the Highway Trust Fund, while discontinuing those funded through advanced appropriations. But the impact of federal transportation investment is determined by total available dollars, not by funding source. Significant cuts to highway and transit funds would result in fewer transportation enhancements at a time when the nation's transportation needs are growing.

To illustrate what these cuts could mean to your state's highway program, an enclosed state-by-state analysis shows Connecticut could receive a \$111,776,090 cut for FY2027.

Proposing to slash millions of dollars in FY2027 investment levels injects uncertainty into state transportation planning efforts, creating downstream impacts across the industry and economy as projects get put on hold and costs rise while they wait.

The House Appropriations Committee has consistently shown commitment to federal investment in infrastructure programs, and the nation's unmet transportation needs warrant this commitment to continue. We urge the committee to restore federal support for surface transportation programs, regardless of funding mechanism, and look forward to working with you to achieve this objective.

Sincerely,



David Bauer
President & CEO

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