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Dear Senators:

We are writing to urge you to pass a bill making technical corrections to SAFETEA LU (Public Law 109-59) before the conclusion of the 1st Session of the 110th Congress.

Since enactment of SAFETEA LU in August of 2005, Congress has worked diligently to pass into law corrections to SAFETEA LU so that full implementation of important transportation programs and policies is possible.

To address our Nation's transportation needs and challenges the full benefit of our transportation programs and policies is required. We believe Congress has identified the program and policy amendments necessary to see Congress' intent fulfilled. We ask that these corrections be passed into law before the 1st Session of the 110th Congress concludes.

Congress' commitment to improving our transportation systems through the programs and policies it provided in SAFETEA LU can be strengthened. We stand ready to continue to support this commitment.

Sincerely,

American Association of Highway and Transportation Officials, American Highways Users Alliance, American Public Transit Association, American Road and Transportation Builders Associations, Associated General Contractors, Council of University Transportation Centers National Sand, Stone and Gravel Association, and National Asphalt and Pavement Association