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To amend title 23, United States Code, to modify the minimum allocation formula under the Federal-aid highway program, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. SANFORD (for himself, Mr. CLEMENT, Mr. LARGENT, Mr. BALLENGER, Mr. CALVERT, Mr. CAMPBELL, Mr. CHABOT, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. COBURN, Mr. DEAL of Georgia, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. HERGER, Mr. HILLEARY, Mr. HOEKSTRA, Mr. HOSTETTLER, Mr. ISTOOK, Mr. JONES, Mr. KINGSTON, Mr. KLUG, Mr. LATOURETTE, Mr. LUCAS of Oklahoma, Mr. MCINTOSH, Mr. MICA, Mrs. MYRICK, Mr. NEY, Mrs. NORTHUP, Mr. NORWOOD, Mr. PICKERING, Mr. SALMON, Mr. SCARBOROUGH, Mr. SEN-SENBRENNER, Mr. SHADEGG, Mr. SOUDER, Mr. SPENCE, Mr. SPRATT, Mr. TAUZIN, Mr. TAYLOR of North Carolina, Mr. TAYLOR of Mississippi, Mr. THORNBERRY, Mr. WATKINS, Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma, and Mr. WHITFIELD) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

A BILL

- To amend title 23, United States Code, to modify the minimum allocation formula under the Federal-aid highway program, and for other purposes.
 - 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
 - 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

1 SECTION 1. MINIMUM ALLOCATION.

2 (a) FISCAL YEAR 1998 AND THEREAFTER.—Section
3 157(a) of title 23, United States Code, is amended by add4 ing at the end the following:

5 "(5) THEREAFTER.—In fiscal year 1998 and 6 each fiscal year thereafter on October 1, or as soon 7 as possible thereafter, the Secretary shall allocate 8 among the States amounts sufficient to ensure that 9 a State's percentage of the total apportionments in 10 each such fiscal year and allocations for the prior 11 fiscal year from funds made available out of the 12 Highway Trust Fund is not less than 100 percent 13 of the percentage of estimated tax payments attrib-14 utable to highway users in the State paid into the 15 Highway Trust Fund in the latest fiscal year for 16 which data are available.".

17 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 157(a)(4)
18 of such title is amended by striking the paragraph des19 ignation and all that follows before "on October 1" and
20 inserting the following:

21 "(4) FISCAL YEARS 1992–1997.—For fiscal years
22 1992 through 1997,".

23 SEC. 2. REPEAL OF HOLD HARMLESS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1015(a) of the Intermodal
Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991 (23 U.S.C.
104 mate 105 State 1042, 1044) is remarked

26 104 note; 105 Stat. 1943–1944) is repealed.

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
 subsection (a) shall take effect on the first day of fiscal
 year 1998.

4 SEC. 3. 100 PERCENT OF PAYMENT ADJUSTMENTS.

5 Section 1015(b) of the Intermodal Surface Transpor6 tation Efficiency Act of 1991 (23 U.S.C. 104 note; 105
7 Stat. 1944) is amended—

8 (1) in the subsection heading by striking "90";
9 (2) in the paragraph heading for paragraph (1)
10 by striking "GENERAL RULE" and inserting "FIS11 CAL YEARS 1992-1997";

(3) by redesignating paragraph (2) as paragraph (3) and inserting after paragraph (1) the following:

"(2) THEREAFTER.—In fiscal year 1998 and 15 16 each fiscal year thereafter, the Secretary (after mak-17 ing the allocation under section 157(a) of this title) 18 shall allocate among the States amounts sufficient to 19 ensure that a State's percentage of the total appor-20 tionments in each such fiscal year and allocations 21 for the prior fiscal year from funds made available 22 out of the Highway Trust Fund is not less than 100 23 percent of the estimated tax payments attributable 24 to highway users in the State paid into the Highway Trust Fund in the latest fiscal year for which data
 are available."; and

3 (4) in paragraph (3), as redesignated by para4 graph (3) of this section, by striking "paragraph
5 (1)" and inserting "this subsection".