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H. R. 3583

To amend the Clean Air Act to exempt mass transit projects from the conformity determinations required under section 176(c) of that Act, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 8, 2000

Mr. LINDER (for himself, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. BISHOP, Mr. NORWOOD, Mr. COLLINS, and Mr. ISAKSON) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Commerce

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Transit and Air Qual-
5 ity Improvement Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. EXEMPTION OF MASS TRANSIT PROJECTS FROM**
7 **CONFORMITY REQUIREMENTS.**

8 Section 176(c)(4) of the Clean Air Act is amended
9 by adding the following at the end thereof:

1 “(D) For purposes of this subsection, mass transit
2 projects shall be treated, by operation of law, as con-
3 forming to the applicable implementation plan and no de-
4 termination or assurance of conformity shall be required
5 with respect to any such project. As used in this
6 subparagraph—

7 “(i) the term ‘mass transit project’ means a
8 project for (I) fixed guideway modernization, (II)
9 new fixed guideway systems, and extensions to exist-
10 ing fixed guideway systems, and (III) replacement,
11 rehabilitation, and purchase of buses and related
12 equipment and construction of bus-related facilities,
13 and

14 “(ii) the term ‘fixed guideway’ has the meaning
15 such term as under section 5302 of title 49, United
16 States Code.”.

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