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H. R. 8338

To require the Secretary of Transportation to develop and submit a report to Congress on recommendations to reduce train noise and vibrations near homes, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Ms. NORTON introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

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 “Train Noise and Vibra-
5 tions Reduction Act of 2022”.

1 **SEC. 2. RECOMMENDATIONS TO REDUCE TRAIN NOISE AND**
2 **VIBRATIONS NEAR HOMES.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after the
4 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Trans-
5 portation shall develop and submit to Congress a report
6 containing—

7 (1) recommendations to reduce train noise and
8 vibrations near homes; and

9 (2) estimates of the costs and benefits of each
10 such recommendation.

11 (b) CONTENTS.—The report required under sub-
12 section (a) shall, at a minimum, include such rec-
13 ommendations regarding—

14 (1) modifications to trains and tracks;

15 (2) modifications to train and track mainte-
16 nance procedures;

17 (3) speed limits for trains;

18 (4) mitigation measures between tracks and
19 homes;

20 (5) the distance required between tracks and
21 homes;

22 (6) limits on the number of trains;

23 (7) limits on the number of cars on trains;

24 (8) limits on hours of operations;

25 (9) building noise insulation; and

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1 (10) modifications to soil conditions.

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