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To amend title 49, United States Code, to provide for a program dashboard for the fixed guideway capital investment grants program.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. MALINOWSKI (for himself, Mr. SIRES, and Mr. PAYNE) 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 “Transportation Fund-
5 ing Accountability and Transparency Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. CAPITAL INVESTMENT GRANT PROGRAM DASH-**
7 **BOARD.**

8 Section 5309(o) of title 49, United States Code, is
9 amended by adding at the end the following:

1 “(4) PROGRAM DASHBOARD.—

2 “(A) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary
3 shall establish and maintain on a publicly avail-
4 able website a capital investment grant program
5 dashboard.

6 “(B) REQUIREMENTS.—The dashboard es-
7 tablished under subparagraph (A) shall con-
8 tain—

9 “(i) an overview of the program under
10 this section;

11 “(ii) the amount of funding appro-
12 priated to the program under this section
13 in each fiscal year;

14 “(iii) the amount of funding allocated
15 from the program under this section in
16 each fiscal year to each program compo-
17 nent, including core capacity improvement
18 projects, small start projects, and fixed
19 guideway capital projects;

20 “(iv) the amount of funding obligated
21 from the program under this section to
22 each program component, including core
23 capacity improvement projects, small start
24 projects, and fixed guideway capital
25 projects.

1 “(C) PROJECT-SPECIFIC PAGES.—The
2 website established under this paragraph shall
3 contain a webpage for each project under the
4 program that contains, for each such project—

5 “(i) a comprehensive tracker of the
6 status of the project in the approval pro-
7 cess, including—

8 “(I) whether the project is in
9 project development, the engineering
10 phase, or the construction phase; and

11 “(II) an identification of all the
12 offices required to review each phase
13 of the approval process, and whether
14 such office has completed such review;

15 “(ii) a letter of no prejudice tracker
16 that includes—

17 “(I) the date any such letter was
18 requested; and

19 “(II) the review process by which
20 the Secretary grants such a letter (in-
21 cluding each office that must review
22 the letter) and an up-to-date status of
23 such review;

24 “(iii) the date on which a full funding
25 grant agreement is executed;

1 “(iv) the status of the project sponsor
2 in securing the required non-Federal cost
3 share, based on information provided by
4 the project sponsor; and

5 “(v) a comprehensive tracker of the
6 environmental review process for the
7 project, including the specific offices re-
8 quired to sign off on the review, that—

9 “(I) is up to date (within 30
10 days) of what office is reviewing an
11 environmental impact statement, when
12 such office received the statement,
13 and the date on which such depart-
14 ment or that office approves the state-
15 ment; and

16 “(II) displays the information in
17 subclause (I) until the project is com-
18 pleted.”.

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