

AMENDMENT

OFFERED BY MS. POU OF NEW JERSEY

At the end of subtitle B of title X, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 102 __ . GAO STUDY ON AMTRAK NORTHEAST COR-**
2 **RIDOR COST-SHARE.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after the
4 date of enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General
5 shall initiate a study to assess—

6 (1) the methodology for cost-share requirement
7 calculations for Amtrak under the Federal Railroad
8 Administration Northeast Corridor capital improve-
9 ment projects;

10 (2) the impact of such methodology on State
11 and local transportation funding; and

12 (3) any associated recommendations to improve
13 the cost-share model.

14 (b) CONSIDERATIONS.—The study shall consider the
15 following:

16 (1) The cost-share requirement calculations
17 used to establish the cost for States and localities.

18 (2) The cost-share requirement calculations
19 used to establish the cost for Amtrak.

1 (3) The total capital cost of the corresponding
2 projects.

3 (4) The impact of the cost-share requirement
4 calculations for States and localities on State or
5 local budgets.

6 (c) CONSULTATION.—In conducting the study under
7 subsection (a), the Comptroller General may consult with
8 relevant stakeholders, including—

9 (1) State departments of transportation that
10 fund Amtrak services;

11 (2) transportation advocacy organizations, in-
12 cluding those representing intercity passenger rail
13 passengers on Northeast Corridor, State-supported,
14 and long-distance routes;

15 (3) representatives of Amtrak passengers and
16 workforce; and

17 (4) members of the Northeast Corridor Com-
18 mission.

19 (d) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 1 year
20 after the date on which the study described under section
21 (a) is initiated, the Comptroller General shall submit to
22 the appropriate committees of Congress a report on the
23 results of such study and any recommendations.

