

AMENDMENT

OFFERED BY MR. HUFFMAN OF CALIFORNIA

At the end of subtitle C of title I of the bill, add the following:

1 **SEC. 1 ____ . EXECUTION OF PREVIOUSLY ANNOUNCED**
2 **TRANSPORTATION GRANTS.**

3 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Notwithstanding any other provi-
4 sion of law, the Secretary shall obligate and execute grant
5 agreements for any project that—

6 (1) was selected, awarded, or publicly an-
7 nounced for funding by the Department on or after
8 November 15, 2021; and

9 (2) is funded in whole or in part through a pro-
10 gram authorized or appropriated under—

11 (A) the Infrastructure Investment and
12 Jobs Act (Public Law 117–58); or

13 (B) the Inflation Reduction Act (Public
14 Law 117–169).

15 (b) **PROHIBITION ON CANCELLATION OR WITH-**
16 **HOLDING.**—The Secretary may not cancel, withhold,
17 delay, decline to execute, rescind, or otherwise terminate
18 funding for a project described in subsection (a) based
19 solely on a change in administration, agency priorities, or

1 policy guidance issued after the date on which the project
2 was announced or selected.

3 (c) EXCEPTIONS.—Subsection (b) shall not apply in
4 cases involving—

5 (1) fraud or material misrepresentation by the
6 grant recipient;

7 (2) failure of the recipient to satisfy statutory
8 eligibility requirements; or

9 (3) voluntary withdrawal of the project by the
10 recipient.

11 (d) DEADLINE FOR OBLIGATION.—Not later than
12 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Sec-
13 retary shall execute all pending grant agreements for
14 projects described in subsection (a).

15 (e) CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATION.—If the Sec-
16 retary determines that a project described in subsection
17 (a) falls within an exception under subsection (c), the Sec-
18 retary shall submit to the Committee on Transportation
19 and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives and
20 the Committee on Environment and Public Works of the
21 Senate a written justification not later than 30 days after
22 making such determination.

23 (f) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this sec-
24 tion shall be construed to authorize the Secretary to repur-
25 pose, reallocate, or otherwise redirect funds previously an-

- 1 nounced for projects described in subsection (a) to other
- 2 projects or activities absent express authorization by Con-
- 3 gress.

