

ATSSA Congratulates Pennsylvania Rep. Bill Shuster on Selection as Transportation/Infrastructure Chairman

WASHINGTON, D.C. - The American Traffic Safety Services Association (ATSSA), an international roadway safety association headquartered in Fredericksburg, Va., congratulates Rep. Bill Shuster (R-Pa.) on his selection as Chairman of the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee for the 113th Congress.

"With the near doubling of the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) in MAP-21 (Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act), Congress fully supports and believes in the importance of investing in roadway safety infrastructure projects to save lives on our nation's roadways. We proudly stand next to Representative Shuster in helping to make America's roadways safer for all motorists and we congratulate him on his selection as committee chair," said ATSSA President and CEO Roger A. Wentz.

Wentz added, "We are fully supportive of Chairman Shuster's vision for a serious discussion on revenue options for the Highway Trust Fund, as well as the need for bipartisanship. These are critical factors for the long-term solvency and success of the Highway Trust Fund that will ultimately save lives on our nation's roadways."

Last year, MAP-21 was enacted into law, authorizing surface transportation policy and funding through September 2014. Although the HSIP remains a core program within the federal-aid highway program, a great deal of work remains on Capitol Hill to continue reducing roadway fatalities.

"We are aware that there are many challenges awaiting Congress this year and next, but ATSSA is hopeful that the immediate work on a surface transportation authorization will begin soon and will be completed before MAP-21 expires," Wentz said.

Since 1969, ATSSA has represented companies and individuals in the traffic control and roadway safety industry. Over 1,600 ATSSA members provide the majority of features, services and devices used to make our nation's roadways safer. These include pavement markings, road signs, work zone traffic control devices, guardrail, and other roadside safety features.

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