

LEGISLATIVE ALERT

June 30, 2021

Dear Representative:

The AFL-CIO urges you to support the "INVEST in America Act" (H.R. 3684), a \$715 billion plan to rebuild America's infrastructure.

The AFL-CIO has long believed that our nation has the ability to create a better, brighter and more prosperous future by investing much more in our nation's infrastructure. The INVEST in America Act will create millions of good jobs, increase long-term growth, and make us more globally competitive, while protecting our environment and improving our health. By making significant investments in surface transportation, electric vehicle charging infrastructure, rail and transit systems, drinking water, and wastewater infrastructure, this bill will help us meet the demands of a 21st-century economy.

We are especially pleased that the authors have included labor standards throughout the bill to guarantee that the jobs created are good jobs with family supporting wages, and Buy America provisions that will bolster U.S. manufacturing. Enactment of H.R. 3684 will allow our nation to move forward with critical improvements to our nation's roads, tunnels, bridges, and rail systems. Investment in our drinking and wastewater systems is similarly overdue.

The American people have waited long enough. The future prosperity of working families and our communities is at stake, as is our nation's commitment to the simple but powerful idea that when we invest in our infrastructure, our economy expands and working people thrive. Further, as the September 30, 2021 expiration of the current surface transportation law approaches, Congress must move quickly to avoid major disruptions in ongoing construction projects. The AFL-CIO strongly urges you to support this important legislation.

Sincerely,

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