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**ITS AMERICA STATEMENT ON HOUSE PASSAGE OF SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BILL**

"The INVEST in America Act's technology investments will power our country toward a safer, greener, smarter, and more equitable future.

"The bill's infrastructure technology investments will allow the United States to achieve a 21st century transportation system that helps protect all road users. It improves safety by making Vision Zero and vehicle-to-pedestrian technologies eligible for funding as pedestrian and cycling deaths continue to increase.

"It includes other significant wins for our transportation system, for which ITS America and our members have advocated, including making cybersecurity eligible under highway and transit programs and establishing Mobility on Demand under transit programs, which will provide more access to mobility options for all Americans, in urban and rural communities.

"It also provides billions of dollars for research, development, and deployment of technologies that will lead to a greener transportation system, including electrifying our transportation infrastructure and public transit fleet, and significantly expands technology to new congestion relief and climate programs.

"ITS America has also long advocated for two auto safety measures not covered in this bill, both of which are critical to saving lives on our roadways: establishing a federal regulatory framework for autonomous vehicles and ensuring the 5.9 GHz spectrum is preserved for transportation safety use, which is critical for the safe deployment of autonomous vehicles as well as the safety and efficiency of the transportation system. We stand ready to work with Congress on these long overdue measures.

"We appreciate the House's investments in infrastructure technology and look forward to working with the Senate to complete its process."

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