



CAGTC

Coalition for America's Gateways & Trade Corridors

15 years

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What is CAGTC?

- Coalition for America's Gateways and Trade Corridors: Founded in 2001 as a national advocacy organization for freight infrastructure
- Mission: Raise public recognition and Congressional awareness of the nation's freight needs and to promote sufficient funding in federal legislation for our multimodal goods movement system
- Composition: 60+ member organizations that are geographically and politically diverse from the public & private sectors





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CAGTC Priorities

- **Commit to exploring sustainable sources of revenue across all modes**
- **Authorize dedicated, sustainable funding for multimodal freight infrastructure competitive grant program**
- **Develop national strategy that guides long term freight planning and includes a partnership with the private sector**

Lowenthal Bill

“Economy in Motion: National Multimodal and Sustainable Freight Infrastructure Act”

- *Establishes 1% waybill fee on the cost of transporting goods (modeled after air freight fee)*
- *Estimated to raise \$8 Billion annually*
- *Revenue placed in a “Freight Trust Fund” and distributed evenly between:*
 - *Multimodal freight formula program (state DOTs)*
 - *Competitive grant program (states, regional & local gov., ports)*

D.C., “The Situation”

- White House is running the show at all agencies
- Lack of executive staff across-the-board
- NAFTA Renegotiation
- DOT restructuring?
 - 2-for-1 regulation elimination
 - RIFs
 - The BATIC/BAB/Bureau
- Congress – How many parties are there, really?
- Congressional Calendar – Lots to do in little time.

The “To-do List”

- Debt Ceiling – Default in September
 - FY18 Budget
 - Repeal/Replace ACA
 - Border Wall
 - Infrastructure Bill, “more than a trillion!”
 - Tax Reform, “unleashing private capital”
 - And... oh yeah... FAA Reauthorization
- (All of which could be derailed by deteriorating foreign relations)*

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