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# H. R. 3839

To direct the Secretary of Transportation to establish a grant program to assist the repair and replacement of bridges, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. RANGEL introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

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## A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Building and Repair-  
5 ing Infrastructure with Domestic Gains in Employment  
6 Act of 2013” or the “BRIDGE Act of 2013”.

7 **SEC. 2. BRIDGE REPAIR AND REPLACEMENT GRANT PRO-**  
8 **GRAM.**

9 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary of Transpor-  
10 tation is authorized to make a grant, on a competitive

1 basis, to a State to assist a project to repair or replace  
2 a bridge.

3 (b) CRITERIA FOR GRANT AWARDS.—In making a  
4 grant under subsection (a), the Secretary shall give pref-  
5 erence to a proposed project that, as determined by the  
6 Secretary—

7 (1) addresses a bridge with a demonstrated sig-  
8 nificant need for repair or replacement; and

9 (2) creates a significant number of jobs.

10 (c) APPLICATIONS.—To be eligible for a grant under  
11 subsection (a), a State shall submit to the Secretary an  
12 application in such form, at such time, and containing  
13 such information as the Secretary determines appropriate,  
14 which shall include—

15 (1) an identification of the bridge to be repaired  
16 or replaced;

17 (2) a description of the activities to be under-  
18 taken with grant funds;

19 (3) an analysis of the need for the activities de-  
20 scribed in paragraph (2); and

21 (4) an analysis of the number of jobs to be cre-  
22 ated as a result of the grant.

23 (d) FEDERAL SHARE.—The Federal share of the cost  
24 of a project assisted with a grant made under subsection  
25 (a) may not exceed 80 percent.

1           (e) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is  
2 authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section  
3 \$50,000,000,000.

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