

118TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 6649

To facilitate non-motorized border crossings across the Gordie Howe International Bridge, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 6, 2023

Mr. THANEDAR introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Homeland Security, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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 “Bike the Border Act”.

5 **SEC. 2. FACILITATION OF NON-MOTORIZED BORDER**
6 **CROSSINGS ACROSS THE GORDIE HOWE**
7 **INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Commissioner of U.S. Cus-
9 toms and Border Protection shall take such actions as

1 may be necessary to effectively and vigorously facilitate,
2 including through expedition, of non-motorized, including
3 bicycle and pedestrian, border crossings across the Gordie
4 Howe International Bridge.

5 (b) GAO REPORT.—Not later than two years after
6 the date of the first day of public operation of the Gordie
7 Howe International Bridge, the Comptroller General of
8 the United States shall submit to the Committee on
9 Homeland Security of the House of Representatives and
10 the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental
11 Affairs of the Senate a report that—

12 (1) reviews the progress of the U.S. Customs
13 and Border Protection’s handling of non-motorized,
14 including bicycle and pedestrian, traffic across the
15 Bridge; and

16 (2) includes—

17 (A) a determination regarding whether
18 U.S. Custom and Border Protection has facili-
19 tated, including through expedition, such non-
20 motorized border crossings across the Bridge;

21 (B) recommendations regarding how U.S.
22 Custom and Border Protection may further
23 such facilitation; and

1 (C) recommendations regarding what, if
2 any, incentives could be utilized to encourage
3 such non-motorized traffic.

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