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S. 2365

To amend title 49, United States Code, to modify the Government share of the cost of certain planning activities, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. OSSOFF introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

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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 “Local Transit Planning
5 Support Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. PLANNING PROGRAMS.**

7 Section 5305 of title 49, United States Code, is
8 amended by striking subsection (f) and inserting the fol-
9 lowing:

10 “(f) GOVERNMENT SHARE OF COSTS.—

1 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-
2 graph (2)(A), the Government share of the cost of
3 an activity funded using amounts made available
4 under this section may not exceed 80 percent of the
5 cost of the activity unless the Secretary determines
6 that it is in the interests of the Government—

7 “(A) not to require a State or local match;

8 or

9 “(B) to allow a Government share greater
10 than 80 percent.

11 “(2) CERTAIN ACTIVITIES.—

12 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The Government
13 share of the cost of an activity funded using
14 amounts made available under this section shall
15 be not less than 90 percent for an activity that
16 assists parts of an urbanized area or rural area
17 with lower population density or lower average
18 income levels compared to—

19 “(i) the applicable urbanized area;

20 “(ii) the applicable rural area;

21 “(iii) an adjoining urbanized area; or

22 “(iv) an adjoining rural area.

23 “(B) REPORT.—A State or metropolitan
24 planning organization that carries out an activ-
25 ity described in subparagraph (A) with an in-

1 creased Government share described in that
2 subparagraph shall report to the Secretary, in
3 a form as determined by the Secretary, how the
4 increased Government share for transportation
5 planning activities benefits commuting and
6 other essential travel in parts of the applicable
7 urbanized area or rural area described in sub-
8 paragraph (A) with lower population density or
9 lower average income levels.”.

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