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To amend section 5336 of title 49, United States Code, to provide for certain apportionments to medium-sized transit intensive cities, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. CARBAJAL (for himself and Mr. MOORE of Utah) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

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 “Medium Transit Inten-
5 sive Cities Authorization Act of 2026”.

6 **SEC. 2. MEDIUM-SIZED TRANSIT-INTENSIVE CITIES FOR-**
7 **MULA.**

8 Section 5336 of title 49, United States Code, is
9 amended—

1 (1) in subsection (a) by striking “subsection
2 (h)(5)” and inserting “subsection (h)(6)”;

3 (2) in subsection (h)—

4 (A) by redesignating paragraphs (4) and
5 (5) as paragraphs (5) and (6), respectively;

6 (B) by inserting after paragraph (3) the
7 following:

8 “(4) of amounts not apportioned under para-
9 graphs (1), (2), and (3), 1.5 percent shall be appor-
10 tioned to urbanized areas with populations of at
11 least 200,000 but not more than 999,999 in accord-
12 ance with subsection (k);” and

13 (C) in paragraph (6), as so redesignated,
14 by striking “and (4)” and inserting “(4), and
15 (5)” and

16 (3) by adding at the end the following:

17 “(k) MEDIUM-SIZED TRANSIT-INTENSIVE CITIES
18 FORMULA.—

19 “(1) APPORTIONMENT.—

20 “(A) FORMULA.—The amount to be appor-
21 tioned under subsection (h)(4) shall be appor-
22 tioned among eligible areas in the ratio that—

23 “(i) the number of performance cat-
24 egories for which each eligible area meets
25 or exceeds the industry average in urban-

1 ized areas with a population of at least
2 1,000,000; bears to

3 “(ii) the aggregate number of per-
4 formance categories for which all eligible
5 areas meet or exceed the industry average
6 in urbanized areas with a population of at
7 least 1,000,000.

8 “(B) INDUSTRY AVERAGE.—The average
9 in urbanized areas with a population of at least
10 1,000,000 shall—

11 “(i) be calculated separately for each
12 such urbanized area for each performance
13 category; and

14 “(ii) for each performance category,
15 be the average of each individual perform-
16 ance category calculated as described in
17 clause (i).

18 “(C) DATA USED.—The Secretary shall
19 calculate apportionments under this subsection
20 for a fiscal year using data from the national
21 transit database used to calculate apportion-
22 ments for that fiscal year under this section.

23 “(2) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection:

24 “(A) ELIGIBLE AREA.—The term “eligible
25 area” means an urbanized area with a popu-

1 lation of at least 200,000 but not more than
2 999,999 that meets or exceeds in 1 or more
3 performance categories the industry average for
4 all urbanized areas with a population of at least
5 1,000,000, as determined by the Secretary in
6 accordance with subsection (c)(1).

7 “(B) PERFORMANCE CATEGORY.—The
8 term “performance category” means each of the
9 following:

10 “(i) Passenger miles traveled per vehi-
11 cle revenue mile.

12 “(ii) Passenger miles traveled per ve-
13 hicle revenue hour.

14 “(iii) Vehicle revenue miles per capita.

15 “(iv) Vehicle revenue hours per capita.

16 “(v) Passenger miles traveled per cap-
17 ita.

18 “(vi) Passengers per capita.”.

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