

119TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 9235

To amend title 23, United States Code, to require an identification of natural disaster vulnerability in certain transportation plans, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 9, 2026

Mr. WHITESIDES (for himself, Mr. OBERNOLTE, and Mr. NEGUSE) 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 “Disaster Ready Infra-
5 structure Act of 2026”.

1 **SEC. 2. NATURAL DISASTER VULNERABILITY IDENTIFICA-**
2 **TION.**

3 (a) METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING.—
4 Section 134(i)(2) of title 23, United States Code, is
5 amended by adding at the end the following:

6 “(I) NATURAL DISASTER VULNER-
7 ABILITY.—An identification of—

8 “(i) which existing transportation fa-
9 cilities are most vulnerable to any type of
10 natural disaster that occurs frequently in
11 the area served by the metropolitan plan-
12 ning organization;

13 “(ii) which such facilities are most
14 necessary to maintain operation of during
15 a natural disaster or soon thereafter; and

16 “(iii) the improvement projects nec-
17 essary to maintain such operation.”.

18 (b) STATEWIDE AND NONMETROPOLITAN TRANSPOR-
19 TATION PLANNING.—Section 135(f) of title 23, United
20 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-
21 lowing:

22 “(10) NATURAL DISASTER VULNERABILITY.—
23 The statewide transportation plan shall include an
24 identification of—

1 “(A) which existing transportation facili-
2 ties are most vulnerable to any type of natural
3 disaster that occurs frequently in the State;

4 “(B) which such facilities are most nec-
5 essary to maintain operation of during a nat-
6 ural disaster or soon thereafter; and

7 “(C) the improvement projects necessary
8 to maintain such operation.”.

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