

Transportation Equity Act Section-by-Section

Section 1: Short Title

This section simply names the bill the "Transportation Equity Act."

Section 2: Establishment of Transportation Equity Advisory Committee

This section establishes the Advisory Committee on Transportation Equity (ACTE) to provide independent advice to the Secretary of Transportation regarding fair and nondiscriminatory implementation of transportation policies and investments in communities. Key aspects of this section include: the committee's establishment timeline (120 days after enactment), its purpose (providing advice and recommendations on equity issues), its duties (evaluating the Department's work and developing a strategic plan), membership requirements (balanced representation from diverse stakeholders), meeting procedures, member terms, support provisions, and the application of the Federal Advisory Committee Act.

Section 3: Designated Federal Officer

This section outlines the appointment of a full-time federal employee to serve as the Designated Federal Officer (DFO) for the committee. The DFO's responsibilities include managing the committee's administrative functions, such as scheduling meetings, preparing agendas, communicating with members, providing support, maintaining records, and ensuring public access to meeting information.