

Suspend the Rules and Pass the Bill, H.R. 274, With an Amendment

(The amendment strikes all after the enacting clause and inserts a new text)

115TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 274

To provide for reimbursement for the use of modern travel services by Federal employees traveling on official Government business, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 4, 2017

Mr. MOULTON (for himself, Mrs. BUSTOS, Mr. HURD, Mr. MEADOWS, and Mr. SWALWELL of California) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on _____

A BILL

To provide for reimbursement for the use of modern travel services by Federal employees traveling on official Government business, and for other purposes.

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 “Modernizing Govern-
5 ment Travel Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. FEDERAL EMPLOYEE REIMBURSEMENT FOR USE**
2 **OF MODERN TRAVEL SERVICES.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the
4 date of enactment of this Act, the Administrator of Gen-
5 eral Services shall prescribe regulations under section
6 5707 of title 5, United States Code, to provide for the
7 reimbursement for the use of a transportation network
8 company or innovative mobility technology company by
9 any Federal employee traveling on official business under
10 subchapter I of chapter 57 of such title, except that the
11 Director of the Administrative Office of the United States
12 Courts shall prescribe such regulations with respect to em-
13 ployees of the judicial branch of the Government.

14 (b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

15 (1) INNOVATIVE MOBILITY TECHNOLOGY COM-
16 PANY.—The term “innovative mobility technology
17 company” means an organization, including a cor-
18 poration, limited liability company, partnership, sole
19 proprietorship, or any other entity, that applies tech-
20 nology to expand and enhance available transpor-
21 tation choices, better manages demand for transpor-
22 tation services, or provides alternatives to driving
23 alone.

24 (2) TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANY.—
25 The term “transportation network company”—

1 (A) means a corporation, partnership, sole
2 proprietorship, or other entity, that uses a dig-
3 ital network to connect riders to drivers affili-
4 ated with the entity in order for the driver to
5 transport the rider using a vehicle owned,
6 leased, or otherwise authorized for use by the
7 driver to a point chosen by the rider; and

8 (B) does not include a shared-expense car-
9 pool or vanpool arrangement that is not in-
10 tended to generate profit for the driver.

11 **SEC. 3. REPORT ON TRANSPORTATION COSTS.**

12 Section 5707(c) of title 5, United States Code, is
13 amended to read as follows:

14 “(c)(1) Not later than November 30 of each year, the
15 head of each agency shall submit to the Administrator of
16 General Services, in a format prescribed by the Adminis-
17 trator and approved by the Director of the Office of Man-
18 agement and Budget—

19 “(A) data on total agency payments for such
20 items as travel and transportation of people, average
21 costs and durations of trips, and purposes of official
22 travel;

23 “(B) data on estimated total agency payments
24 for employee relocation; and

1 “(C) an analysis of the total costs of transpor-
2 tation service by type, and the total number of trips
3 utilizing each transportation type for purposes of of-
4 ficial travel.

5 “(2) The Administrator of General Services shall
6 make the data submitted pursuant to paragraph (1) pub-
7 licly available upon receipt.

8 “(3) Not later than January 31 of each year, the Ad-
9 ministrators of General Services shall submit to the Direc-
10 tor of the Office of Management and Budget, the Com-
11 mittee on Oversight and Government Reform of the House
12 of Representatives, and the Committee on Homeland Se-
13 curity and Governmental Affairs of the Senate—

14 “(A) an analysis of the data submitted pursu-
15 ant to paragraph (1) for the agencies listed in sec-
16 tion 901(b) of title 31 and a survey of such data for
17 each other agency; and

18 “(B) a description of any new regulations pro-
19 mulgated or changes to existing regulations author-
20 ized under this section.”.