

**The Rockefeller-Lautenberg
Federal Surface Transportation Policy and Planning Act of 2011**

The Federal Surface Transportation Policy and Planning Act of 2011 would create a clear and unified mission for our federal surface transportation programs. The national surface transportation policy would focus on developing a system that advances the national interest, promotes interstate commerce, increases the efficient and safe mobility of people and goods, and protects our environment through established goals and objectives. The major goals of this policy are to:

- Reduce national per capita motor vehicle miles traveled on an annual basis;
- Reduce national motor vehicle-related fatalities by 50 percent by 2030;
- Reduce national surface transportation-generated carbon dioxide levels by 40 percent by 2030;
- Reduce national surface transportation delays per capita on an annual basis;
- Increase the percentage of system-critical surface transportation assets that are in a state of good repair by 20 percent by 2030;
- Increase the total usage of public transportation, intercity passenger rail services, and non-motorized transportation on an annual basis;
- Increase the proportion of national freight transportation provided by non-highway or multimodal services by 10 percent by 2020;
- Reduce passenger and freight transportation delays and congestion at international points of entry on an annual basis;
- Guarantee adequate transportation of domestic energy supplies; and
- Maintain or reduce the percentage of gross domestic product consumed by transportation costs.

The Secretary of the Department of Transportation, in consultation with local and State governments, private transportation providers, and labor organizations, would be responsible for developing a plan to meet these goals. The Secretary would also be required to assess the current performance of our nation's surface transportation system, and then establish performance-based metrics that would be used to track progress towards meeting the goals of the national policy. The Secretary would be required to report biennially on the progress toward meeting the goals of the policy.