AMENDMENT NO._______    Calendar No._______

Purpose: To require the Administrator of the Transportation Security Administration and the Commandant of the Coast Guard to prioritize and expedite the consideration of applications for a Transportation Worker Identification Credential with respect to certain applicants.


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To amend title 46, United States Code, with respect to prohibited acts by ocean common carriers or marine terminal operators, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on ______ and ordered to be printed

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AMENDMENT intended to be proposed by Mr. Lee to the amendment (No. ______) proposed by Ms. Cantwell

Viz:

1 At the appropriate place, insert the following:

2 SEC. ___. TRANSPORTATION WORKER IDENTIFICATION CREDENTIALS.

3 (a) DEFINITION OF DIRECT ASSISTANCE TO A UNITED STATES PORT.—

4 (1) IN GENERAL.—In this section, the term “direct assistance to a United States port” means the transportation of cargo directly to or from a United States port.
(2) EXCLUSIONS.—The term "direct assistance to a United States port" does not include—

(A) the transportation of a mixed load of cargo that includes—

(i) cargo that does not originate from a United States port; or

(ii) a container or cargo that is not bound for a United States port;

(B) any period during which a motor carrier or driver is operating in interstate commerce to transport cargo or provide services not in support of transportation to or from a United States port; or

(C) the period after a motor carrier dispatches the applicable driver or commercial motor vehicle of the motor carrier to another location to begin operation in interstate commerce in a manner that is not in support of transportation to or from a United States port.

(b) TRANSPORTATION WORKER IDENTIFICATION CREDENTIALS.—The Administrator of the Transportation Security Administration and the Commandant of the Coast Guard shall jointly prioritize and expedite the consideration of applications for a Transportation Worker Identification Credential with respect to applicants that
reasonably demonstrate that the purpose of the Transportation Worker Identification Credential is for providing, within the interior of the United States, direct assistance to a United States port.