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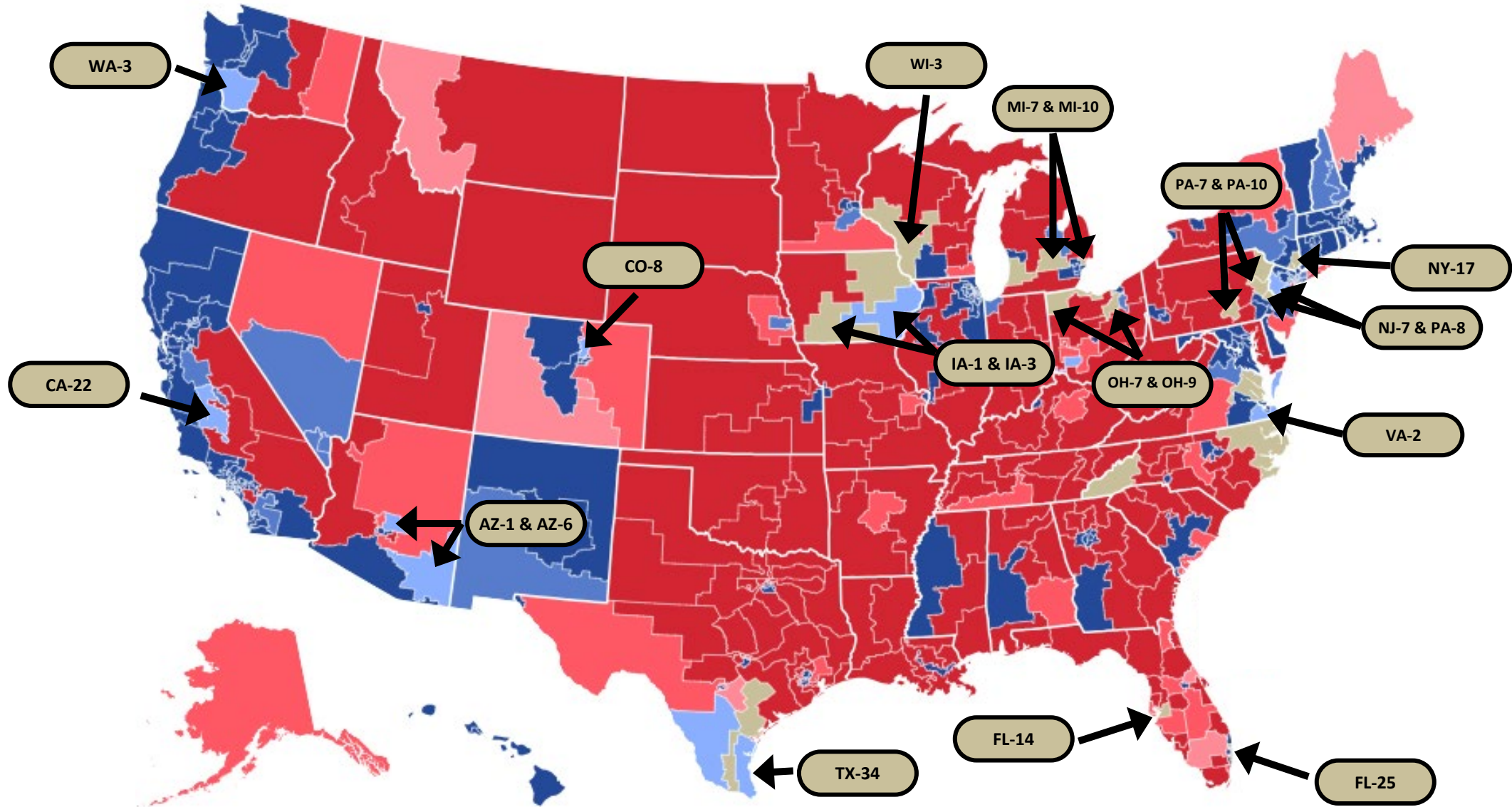
Bus Association of New York

October 19, 2026

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A map of the United States showing the distribution of the three major religious groups: Protestant (dark red), Catholic (dark blue), and Jewish (light pink). Protestant states are concentrated in the South and West, Catholic states are in the Northeast and Midwest, and Jewish states are in the Northeast and Midwest.

BATTLEGROUND HOUSE RACES



Surface Transportation Bill

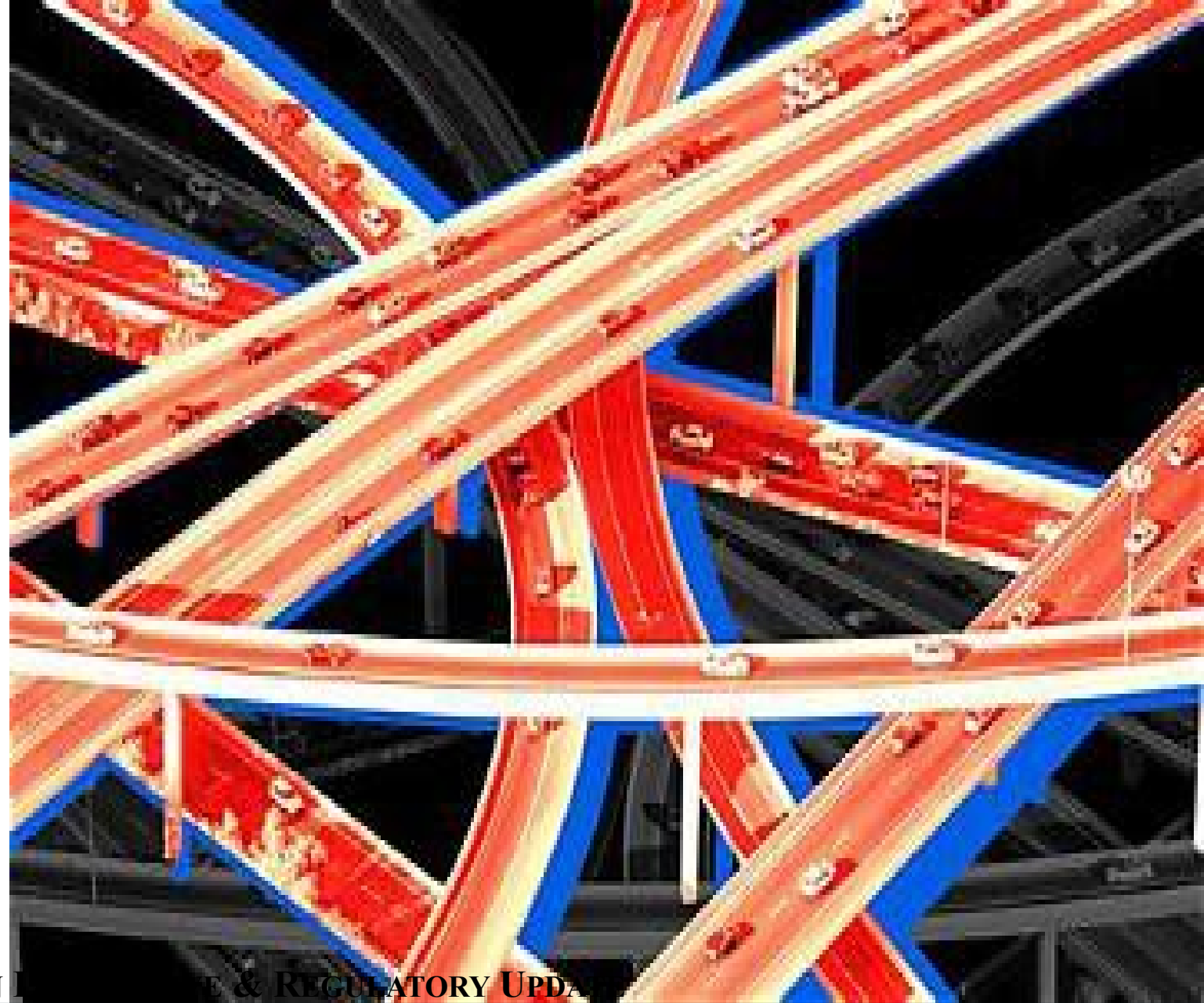
BUILD America 250

Includes top 3 priorities of UMA:

- Most of the Toll Parity and Clarity Act
- No insurance minimum increases
- No weakening of the charter rule



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REGULATORY UPDATES

H.R. 2526 The Bus Parity and Clarity Act

- Bipartisan bill introduced by Representatives Jeff Van Drew (R-NJ) and Josh Gottheimer (D-NJ) .
- Clarifies that equal access provisions apply to both scheduled service and charter motorcoach operations;
- FHWA must post all affected roads and their toll policies relating to equal access provisions online in a publicly available, unified database;
- Extends equal access provisions to congestion pricing projects.

<https://www.votervoice.net/UMA/Campaigns/125337/Respond>



H.R.7263 - Safe Intersections for Buses and Pedestrians Act

Administrator of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration shall prescribe motor vehicle safety standards to require that all new covered motorcoaches manufactured for sale in the United States have a minimally obstructed forward-facing view from the driver's seat of the covered motorcoach.

Sponsor: Rep. Robert Menendez (D-NJ-8)

Cosponsors:

- Rep. Maxwell Frost (D-FL-10) *
- Rep. Laura Gillen (D-NY-4) *
- Rep. Robert P. Bresnahan (R-PA-8) *
- Rep. Brian K. Fitzpatrick (R-PA-1) *
- Rep. Michael Lawler (R-NY-17) *



H.R. 9317 - Buses Utilizing Safety and Environmental Standards (BUSES) Act

Key Details of the Legislation

- The 15-Minute Rule: The bill prohibits state and municipal restrictions (like those in New York City) from penalizing over-the-road and school buses for idling if the engine runs for less than 15 minutes.
- Protecting NYC's "Bounty Hunters": NYC allows citizens to report idling vehicles and collect \$350-\$2,000 bounties. The BUSES Act aims to end this citizen bounty system specifically when it targets bus operators.
- Operational Necessity: Drivers need to idle buses to power wheelchair lifts, run air conditioning, and complete legally required safety checks—especially when transporting seniors or passengers with disabilities.



H.R. 100050 - Uniform Vehicle Safety Standards Act

- The Uniform Vehicle Safety Standards Act would clarify that automakers cannot be held liable under state law for building or equipping vehicles that are already in full compliance with federal motor vehicle safety standards set by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.
- Bicameral legislation introduced by House Representatives Mike Flood (NE), along with Congressmen Jake Ellzey (TX), Jay Obernolte (CA), and David Rouzer (NC).
- Senator Deb Fischer (NE) introduced a U.S. Senate version.



H.R. 2662: Staged Accident Fraud Prevention Act of 2025

S. 5058: Staged Accident Fraud Prevention Act of 2026

- House bill introduced by Representatives Mike Collins (R-GA), Brandon Gill (R-TX)
- Senator Ashley Moody
- STAGING OF MOTOR VEHICLE COLLISIONS WITH COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLES
- PENALTY FOR STAGING COLLISION.—A PERSON OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE WHO INTENTIONALLY CAUSES A COLLISION WITH A COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLE OR ARRANGES FOR ANOTHER PERSON TO CAUSE SUCH A COLLISION, SHALL BE FINED, IMPRISONED **FOR NOT MORE THAN 20 YEARS, OR BOTH.**
- PENALTY FOR STAGING COLLISION CAUSING SERIOUS BODILY INJURY.—A PERSON OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE WHO INTENTIONALLY CAUSES A COLLISION WITH A COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLE THAT RESULTS IN SERIOUS BODILY INJURY OR DEATH TO ANOTHER PERSON OR ARRANGES FOR ANOTHER PERSON TO CAUSE SUCH A COLLISION, SHALL BE IMPRISONED FOR **NOT LESS THAN 20 YEARS, OR BOTH.**



“Stop Auto Fraud Act of 2026”.

Motor vehicle collision fraud

“Whoever knowingly executes, or attempts to execute a scheme or artifice—

- (1) to cause, stage, fabricate, or simulate a motor vehicle accident; and
- (2) to submit any false, fictitious, or fraudulent claim for payment of a loss under an insurance policy, including a loss related to medical treatment, repair costs, lost wages, or lost benefits, shall be fined under this title or imprisoned not more than 10 years, or both. If the violation results in serious bodily injury, such person shall be fined under this title or imprisoned not more than 20 years, or both; and if the violation results in death, such person shall be fined under this title, or imprisoned for any term of years or for life, or both.”



REGULATIONS





Registration Modernization Update

Temporary Relief for Biennial Updates

**FMCSA continues supporting the transition to Motus:
USDOT Registration System, launched on May 19th.**

To help reduce service disruptions during the registration system transition, FMCSA has **temporarily suspended enforcement of biennial updates** and the inactivation of USDOT Numbers for entities that have not completed the required biennial update.

What This Means for You

- **Additional Time Granted:** Registrants whose biennial update was due on or after June 1, 2026 will receive additional time to complete any required updates.
- **No Inactivation for Failing to Submit the Biennial Update:** Motor carriers and regulated entities will not have their USDOT Number inactivated for failing to submit a biennial update.
- **Advance Notice Before Re-implementation:** This suspension will remain in effect until further notice. FMCSA will provide ample warning prior to re-implementing the biennial update requirement.

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We're Modernizing FM

Motus: USDOT Registration System

FMCSA's new registration system streamlines processes for companies, motor carriers, brokers, and other stakeholders to better serve America's trucking industry.

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intuitive, user-friendly experience for supporting carriers, then oversight, reduce fraud, improve efficiency, and



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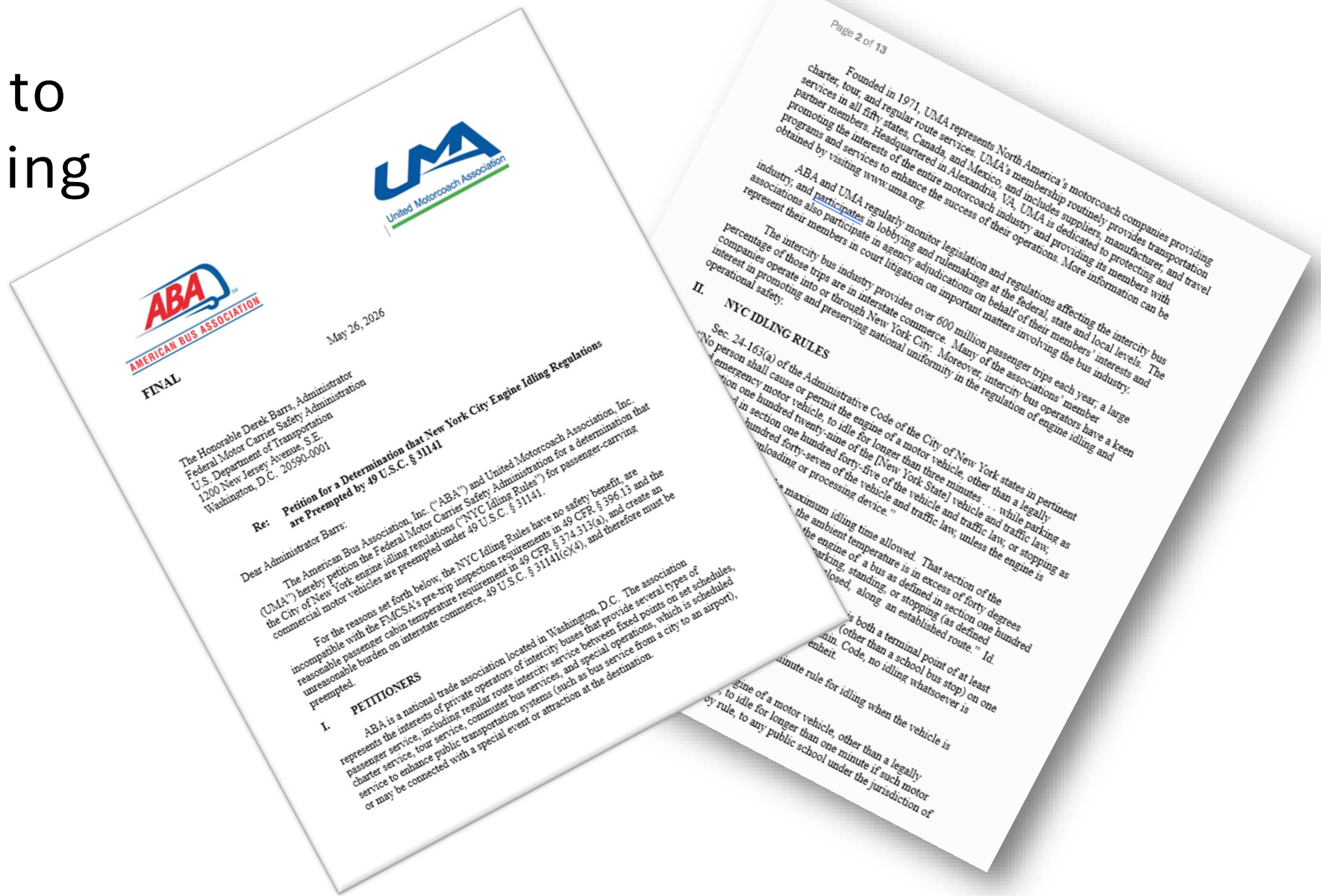
Motor carriers with questions may contact the FMCSA Registration Contact Center through the following resources:

- Phone: 1-800-832-5660
- Online Support: [FMCSA Ask a Question](#)
- Motus Portal (Email): motus.dot.gov/contact-fmcsa
- Business Hours: Monday – Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. Eastern; Saturday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Eastern.

FMCSA has a number of helpful videos on YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/@fmcsa9802/videos>



Joint Petition to FMCSA regarding NYC Idling



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Private Charter Operator Registration Search Results

<https://ftawebprod.fta.dot.gov/CharterRegistration/Default.aspx>



There are 281 results.

Company Name	State	City	Email Address	Phone Number
A Alaska Cruise Transfer and Tours LLC	AK	Anchorage	info@alaskacruisettransfer.com	907-350-6010
Premier Alaska Tours Inc.	AK	Anchorage	josh@touralaska.net	907-279-0001
Colonial Trailways	AL	Mobile	charters@colonialtrailways.com	251-476-8687
Capital Motor Lines Inc	AL	Montgomery	capital@capitaltrailways.com	334-832-4166
St. Clair Bus Transportation Inc	AL	Birmingham	Info@johnsonglobalenterprise.com	800-281-1402
JAT Inc	AL	Birmingham	michael@thrashertrailways.com	205-591-8811
Roy Young	AL	Helena	rbtransport@att.net	205-620-3416
Eventure America Inc	AR	Little Rock	tickets@littlerockcoaches.com	501-868-7287
J & T Charters LLC	AR	ElDorado	office@jtcharters.net	870-639-8000
JET Limousines and Transportation	AZ	Phoenix	info@jetlimoaz.com	480-423-5466
Diamond Coach Services LLC	AZ	Tucson	reservations@diamondtransportation.com	520-825-8888
Industrial Bus Lines Inc	AZ	Mesa	Sales@allaboardamerica.com	800-848-4728
Industrial Bus Lines, Inc.	AZ	Mesa	sales@allaboardamerica.com	480-962-6202
Highline Charter Inc	CA	SAN DIEGO	info@highlinecharter.com	619-795-1221
Strack Chauffeured Transportation Inc	CA	Anaheim	matt@strackground.com	714-546-1446
Inland Empire Stages LTD	CA	Rancho Cucamonga	liz@iesbuses.com	909-466-4191
Appellation Tours Inc.	CA	Sonoma	info@beauwinetours.com	707-938-8001
Amador Stage Lines, Inc.	CA	Sacramento	info@amadorstagelines.com	916-444-7880

New York Operators Registered with FTA

Niagara Scenic Tours	NY	Hamburg	info@nscoach.net	716-648-7766
Swarthout Coaches, Inc.	NY	Ithaca	info@goswarthout.com	607-257-2277
Bus Around Town Corp	NY	Farmingdale	reservations@coachmanluxury.com	631-390-9003
Tri State Coaches LLC	NY	Nesconset	tristatecoachbus@gmail.com	631-406-6104
Tri State Coaches LLC	NY	Nesconset	regencybuses@gmail.com	631-406-6104
Hale's Bus Garage, LLC	NY	CLINTON	stephen@haletransportationgroup.com	315-624-7408
County Limousine Service Inc	NY	Rye Brook	Doug@accreditedlimo.comk	914-272-5843
Southern Tier Stages Inc	NY	Endicott	charters@shaferbus.com	607-797-2006
Adirondack Transit Lines Inc	NY	Hurley	ncrist@trailwaysny.com	845-339-4230
Pine Hill Kingston Bus Corp.	NY	Hurley	ncrist@trailwaysny.com	845-339-4230
Passenger Bus Corp	NY	Hurley	ncrist@trailwaysny.com	845-339-4230
Bedore Tours, Inc.	NY	NORTH TONAWANDA	johnohear@bedoretours.com	716-417-9100

<https://ftawebprod.fta.dot.gov/CharterRegistration/Default.aspx>

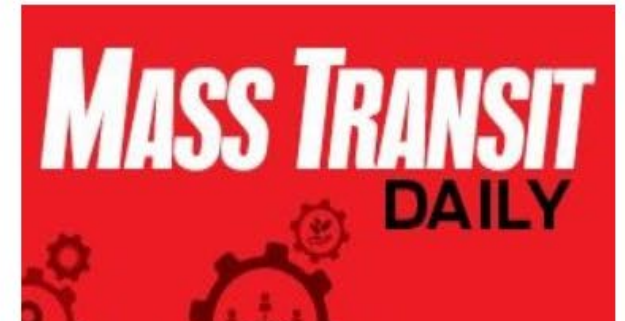


Promoting best practices for integrated mobility

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VEHICLES

MI: The Rapid lands \$6 million grant to expand bus service for major downtown events



"We kind of used this past summer as a learning opportunity to see how people were moving around, where the capacity was, where the crunch times were," he said. "We just saw this as an opportunity to expand on those lessons learned and continue to provide additional service throughout event seasons."

New Entrant Proficiency Exam

Beyond Compliance

Broker responsibilities?



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2026 UMA SAFETY MANAGEMENT SEMINAR

“22 years bringing the industry’s top talent together to improve motorcoach safety.”

December 2-3 • Maritime Conference Center (near BWI)

Powerful presentations • Take home solutions • Convenient location • Free hotel shuttles • Meals included



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ONLINE REGISTRATION IS OPEN!

Thank you!



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