

117TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. 1655

To prohibit States from regulating certain commercial motor vehicle service contracts, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 17, 2021

Mr. TILLIS introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

A BILL

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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 “Protecting Interstate
5 Transport Act of 2021”.

6 **SEC. 2. FEDERAL AUTHORITY OVER CERTAIN COMMERCIAL**
7 **MOTOR VEHICLE SERVICE CONTRACTS.**

8 Section 14501(c)(1) of title 49, United States Code,
9 is amended—

(1) by striking the paragraph designation and heading and all that follows through “Except” and inserting the following:

“(1) PRICES, ROUTES, AND SERVICES; COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLE SERVICE CONTRACTS.—

“(A) PRICES, ROUTES, AND SERVICES.—Except”; and

(2) by adding at the end the following:

“(B) COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLE SERVICE CONTRACTS.—

“(i) DEFINITIONS.—In this subparagraph:

“(I) COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLE.—The term ‘commercial motor vehicle’ has the meaning given the term in section 31101.

“(II) COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLE SERVICE CONTRACT.—The term ‘commercial motor vehicle service contract’ means a contract or agreement—

“(aa) to perform repair or maintenance work on a covered commercial motor vehicle; or

1 “(bb) to issue a warranty, or
2 otherwise arrange, for the repair
3 or maintenance of a covered com-
4 mercial motor vehicle.

5 “(III) COVERED COMMERCIAL
6 MOTOR VEHICLE.—The term ‘covered
7 commercial motor vehicle’ means a
8 commercial motor vehicle of a type
9 regularly used by motor carriers for
10 the transportation of property, as de-
11 termined by the Secretary.

12 “(ii) LIMITATION.—Except as pro-
13 vided in paragraphs (2) and (3), a State,
14 political subdivision of a State, or political
15 authority of 2 or more States may not
16 enact or enforce a law, regulation, or other
17 provision having the force and effect of law
18 related to a commercial motor vehicle serv-
19 ice contract.”.

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