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## ***AAMVA Legislative/Regulatory Alert***

To: Chief Motor Vehicle Administrators  
Chief Law Enforcement Officers

FR: Neil Schuster, President & CEO

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RE: Congress Passes HR 3357 - Fund Transfer to the Highway Trust Fund

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On July 29th the House of Representatives passed H.R. 3357 to transfer \$7 billion from the general fund of the Treasury to the Highway Trust Fund Account. The Senate quickly followed on July 30<sup>th</sup>, passing the legislation after defeating numerous amendments prior to vote. The measure, as passed by the House, passed the Senate by a vote of 79-17. This emergency transfer was necessary to maintain the solvency of the Highway Trust Fund, which would have otherwise been bankrupt by August. The House and Senate remain at odds over a broader reauthorization of highway, bridge and transit programs, with House Transportation and Infrastructure Chairman James L. Oberstar, (D-MN), pushing for a six-year, \$500 billion authorization while the Senate has backed a White House proposal to extend the current authorization for 18 months. The administration plan would require \$20 billion to keep the transportation fund solvent through the 18-month period, including the immediate \$7 billion infusion. The measure is now cleared for the White House.