



## Rail Security Alliance Applauds Introduction of Freight RAILCAR Act of 2025

(Washington, D.C.) – The [Rail Security Alliance](#) (RSA) today applauds the introduction of the Freight Rail Assets Investment to Launch Commercial Activity Revitalization Act (Freight RAILCAR) Act of 2025 by U.S. Representatives Darin LaHood (R-IL) and Brad Schneider (D-IL).

The FREIGHT RAILCAR Act was reintroduced with 40 original bipartisan co-sponsors.

*“We are incredibly grateful for the leadership of Representatives LaHood and Schneider in reintroducing the Freight RAILCAR Act. This bill is key to ensuring American economic and national security. It not only supports our domestic freight railcar manufacturing and supply industry and the jobs tied to the sector, but guarantees supply chain reliability and the ability to move goods on U.S. made rail assets,”* said Erik Olson, RSA Executive Director.

Using a time-limited tax credit, this legislative initiative aims to bolster the U.S. freight railcar manufacturing sector, enhance the security and efficiency of our nation’s freight rail fleet and support the sector’s family-wage manufacturing and supply jobs.

### About the Freight RAILCAR Act of 2025:

- **Investment Incentives:** The legislation encourages greater investment by introducing time-limited tax credits to offset costs associated with replacing or modernizing railcars that are outdated. Due to modern manufacturing methods, innovative new materials, and improved safety standards, new railcars have significant safety and efficiency improvements, which increases reliability across the board.
- **Environmental Impact:** By encouraging the replacement of older railcars with new, more efficient ones, the Act supports environmental sustainability. If just one-third of the almost 300,000 outdated hopper cars were replaced by higher capacity railcars, 4.3 million gallons of diesel fuel would be saved per in the first year alone.
- **National Security:** The Freight RAILCAR Act supports supply chain reliability and the critical movement of essential goods and services on the U.S. rail interchange system every day.
- **Economic Benefits:** The freight rail supply industry is a key contributor to the economies of the U.S. as seen in its 240,000 American jobs and \$75 billion GDP in 2023 alone. The Act will spur job growth within the freight rail manufacturing industry, ensuring thousands of family-wage jobs are sustained and new opportunities are created.

### About RSA

The Rail Security Alliance has been a staunch advocate for policies that strengthen the U.S. rail industry. Representing over 65,000 domestic freight railcar manufacturers and suppliers, RSA emphasizes the importance of domestic manufacturing and security in the freight rail sector.

For more information on the Rail Security Alliance and the Freight RAILCAR Act of 2025, please visit [railsecurity.org](https://railsecurity.org).

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