"On behalf of the Community Transportation Association of America's (CTAA) more than 1,300 members, we're pleased to see Chairman DeFazio's proposed surface transportation reauthorization bill as a positive first step in ensuring communities across the country have access to safe and reliable transportation."

"CTAA members provide critical trips and support their vulnerable populations by acting as a lifeline. The record level of investment proposed in this bill would not only allow our rural, tribal, specialized and small-urban transit providers to continue meeting demand, but explore new and innovative ways to better serve their communities. We applaud this bill's important emphasis on improved bus operations and capital investment, the incorporation of meaningful improvements to procurement and vehicle disposition, and the focus on transit services for low-income and persistent poverty communities.

"We were honored to work with the Chairman and his staff on this legislation and we thank them for the opportunity to present challenges and ideas faced by our members. We look forward to continuing this relationship as we approach the upcoming FAST Act deadline." - Scott Bogren, Executive Director, CTAA