THUD Appropriations Talking Points

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In Fiscal Year (FY) 2022, Congress has enacted multiple Continuing Resolutions (CR) to keep the government operating. As a result, the significant increases in funding for numerous Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) investments are generally not yet reflected in Department of Transportation modal agencies' formula or competitive grant funding. This week, Congress passed a Transportation (THUD) Appropriations bill that honors the IIJA’s promise.

H.R. 2471, the Consolidated Appropriations Act, provides $16.3 billion for public transit, an increase of $3.3 billion from the previous year. It includes $2.2 billion for Capital Investment Grants (CIG) and an additional $250 million for bus capital grants. The legislation also provides $3.4 billion for passenger and freight rail investments, an increase of $483 million from the FY 2021 enacted level. The bill provides $2.3 billion for Amtrak and $625 million for Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvement (CRISI) grants.

When combined with the advance appropriations included in the IIJA, Congress provides $20.5 billion for public transit and $16.6 billion for passenger and freight rail in FY 2022 funding. In addition, Congress provides a total of $2.3 billion for RAISE grants. Congress passed H.R. 2471, the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2022, on March 9-10.

APTA thanks Congress for passing a THUD Appropriations bill that honors the IIJA’s promise of historic investment for public transit and passenger rail.

APTA: 
- Thanks Congress for completing action on H.R. 2471, the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2022.
- Urges Congress to ensure that the FY 2023 THUD Appropriations bill fully funds the public transit and passenger rail investments authorized in the IIJA, including competitive grant programs, such as CIG, RAISE grants, Federal-State Partnership for Intercity Passenger Rail, and other multimodal investments.