



Public Law No: 117-58 Section 25003

FEDERAL SUPPORT FOR LOCAL DECISION-MAKING

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SEC 25003

Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of P.L. 117-58, based on the outreach performed to planning and infrastructure decision-making officials in units of local government and other units of government, BTS shall submit to the Secretary a **work plan** for reviewing and updating existing data and data analysis tools and developing any additional data or data analysis tools needed to assist local communities with making infrastructure investment decisions.

Winter

PREP

- Internal organization
- Email and Website
- Introduction meetings with association leadership prior to listening sessions with members

Spring

OUTREACH

- Facilitated listening sessions
- Invitation only and Public sessions
- Topics and Audience outlined in law

Summer

TECHNICAL

- Data and Tools Needs Status
- Prioritization
- Federal Role Determination

Fall

WORK PLAN

- Completed not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of P.L. 117-58
- Implementation plans, graphic roadmaps and cost estimates
- Includes years authorized by Law
- +5 years after expiration of Law

2023

IMPLEMENT

- Section 25004
- Subject to the availability of appropriations develop identified data analysis tools and purchase datasets

LISTENING SESSION DESIGN

Purpose: To learn the challenges local planning and infrastructure decision-makers are currently facing and anticipate

Facilitated listening sessions by invitation and open

- Most conducted virtually
- Each approximately 2 hours in length

The listening sessions will include:

- Background on BTS
- Brief summary of past outreach to state and local governments by or for BTS
- Explanation of Sec. 25003
- Interactive discussion and input on Sec. 25003 questions

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TOPICS

Data or data analysis tools created pursuant to the **work plan** shall be intended to help address one or more of the following:

- improving maintenance of existing assets;
- rebuilding infrastructure to a state of good repair;
- creating economic development through infrastructure development;
- establishing freight plans and infrastructure that connects the community to supply chain;
- increasing options for communities that lack access to affordable transportation to improve access to jobs, affordable housing, schools, medical services, foods and other essential community services;
- reducing congestion;
- improving community resilience to extreme weather events; and
- other topics (Equity).



AUDIENCE

BTS shall perform **outreach** to planning and infrastructure decision-making officials in units of local government and other units of government, including a geographically diverse group of individuals from:

1. States;
2. political subdivisions of States;
3. cities;
4. metropolitan planning organizations;
5. regional transportation planning organizations; and
6. federally recognized Indian Tribes.

