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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Ms. ALSO BROOKS (for herself and Ms. KLOBUCHAR) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on

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**A BILL**

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1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-  
2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4       This Act may be cited as the “Transportation Project  
5 Accountability Act of 2026”.

6 **SEC. 2. TRANSPORTATION ACCOUNTABILITY.**

7       (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 135 of title 23, United  
8 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-  
9 lowing:

## 1       “(n) TRANSPORTATION ACCOUNTABILITY.—

2           “(1) DEFINITION OF COVERED PROJECT.—In  
3           this subsection, the term ‘covered project’ means a  
4           project that—5           “(A) is included in the statewide transpor-  
6           tation improvement program under subsection  
7           (g);8           “(B) will enhance or expand the transpor-  
9           tation system; and10          “(C) has an estimated cost of greater than  
11          \$10,000,000.12          “(2) REPORT.—Not later than 1 year after the  
13          date of enactment of the Transportation Project Ac-  
14          countability Act of 2026 and every year thereafter,  
15          each State shall publish and make publicly available,  
16          via an online platform, a report that—17           “(A) identifies each covered project se-  
18           lected to be carried out during the previous  
19           year;20           “(B) for each covered project identified  
21           under subparagraph (A)—22           “(i) includes a score based on the ex-  
23           tent to which the covered project contrib-  
24           utes to performance measures and targets  
25           described in the long-range statewide

1 transportation plan of the State under sub-  
2 section (f) and national goals described in  
3 section 150(b);

18                   “(C) includes a brief summary and jus-  
19                   tification of the metrics used to calculate scores  
20                   for covered projects under subparagraph (B)(i).

21                   “(3) ACCOUNTABILITY FOR PERFORMANCE.—  
22                   Beginning after the date of publication of the first  
23                   report of the State under paragraph (2), the State  
24                   shall incorporate into the statewide transportation  
25                   improvement program under subsection (g) and the

1 long-range statewide transportation plan of the  
2 State under subsection (f) a review of—

3 “(A) the progress toward achieving pro-  
4 jected benefits and cost-effectiveness of selected  
5 covered projects; and

6 “(B) the ability of those covered projects  
7 to contribute to achievement of targets de-  
8 scribed in the long-range statewide transpor-  
9 tation plan of the State under subsection (g)  
10 and the national goals described in paragraphs  
11 (1) through (3) of section 150(b).”.

12 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section  
13 135(g)(5)(B) of title 23, United States Code, is amended  
14 by adding at the end the following:

15 “(iii) TRANSPORTATION ACCOUNT-  
16 ABILITY REPORT.—A report under sub-  
17 section (n) may be considered to satisfy  
18 the requirements of this subparagraph.”.