



**American
Iron and Steel
Institute**



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The U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Member of Congress,

We write on behalf of the U.S. steel sector, which includes producers, fabricators and their employees, to express our support for passage of the **Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, H.R. 3684**. With over 386,000 employees across the country that support another two million indirect jobs, steel companies look forward to being part of the nation's economic recovery driven largely by the highly anticipated multimodal infrastructure bill.

Our industry and its employees have continued to work with Congress to ensure that this legislation reaches the House floor for final action. Over the past year we have engaged with public officials and legislators at the federal, state and local levels, to reiterate our support for enactment of this historic legislation.

The ability of our nation to proceed on a path to economic recovery depends on reliable, safe and efficient modes of transportation. Our industry like so many others rely on the nation's roads, rail and water transportation to move raw materials and finished products. Since 2018, American steelmakers have invested \$16 billion dollars in modern, state-of-the-art, environmentally responsible steel production to meet our nation's infrastructure needs.

The programs included in H.R. 3684 will ensure that states and local communities are able to rebuild critical infrastructure and have access to reliable public transit and infrastructure networks essential for moving goods throughout the nation.

Equally as important are the strong domestic content provisions established to ensure that U.S. made steel products are procured in these federally supported projects. Our industry believes this is an essential component of the legislation as it will harness greater use of sustainable, low carbon U.S. made steel products made by American workers.

The debate over a well-designed and well-funded infrastructure policy has spanned over two Congresses. Also, surface transportation authorities will expire after October 31. Congress must act now. On behalf of the domestic steel industry, its employees and thousands of communities across the country, we urge you to call for immediate House passage of **H.R. 3684**.

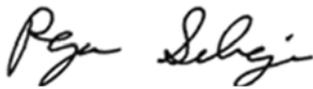
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