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## FCA Legislative Fly-In to Washington, D.C. Schedule of Events July 15-16, 2025

	TUESDAY   JULY 15		
FCA attendee arrivals	Most attendees will fly into Washington National Airport DCA (5 miles away) and taxi over to the hotel. Some will take the train to Washington Union Station (1 mile away). Most will be staying at Capitol Hill Hotel, 200 C St SE, Washington, DC.	Airports - Washington National DCA (5 miles away) - Dulles International IAD (30 miles away) - Baltimore/Washing. BWI (35 miles away)	
Noon - 5 PM	Congressional Meetings See meeting schedule. Hotel check-in is 3pm, hotel will store luggage on day of arrival and departure. See Capitol map for office locations.	Congressional Offices	
6:30 PM	FCA Group Dinner The Monocle Restaurant 107 D St NE, Washington, DC	Guests Welcome	
	WEDNESDAY   JULY 16		
7:30 AM (depart 8:45 AM)	Group Breakfast Capitol Hill Hotel 200 C St SE, Washington, DC (please let us know of any dietary concerns)	The Parlor In Annex Building (separate fr. main building) (need key card)	
Arrival: 9:30 AM Meeting: 10 AM Depart: 11 AM	White House Office of Public Liaison Meeting Eisenhower Executive Office Building 17th and State Place NW, Washington, DC	Background Check Required	
FCA Congressional Meetings  Business attire is preferred.  Noon – 5 PM  FCA will provide meeting packets to attendees.  Pack light as building entry requires passing through security and metal detectors.		House and Senate Office Buildings	
FCA attendee departure	Hotel will hold your travel bag for the day (and a tip).  Taxis are readily available from the hotel.	Most attendees will fly out around 5:30 pm o after	
Contacts:	Jon Lee, FCA Director of Operations, mobile: (563) 940-0277		
Contacts.	Mike Oscar, FCA Legislative Director, mobile: (215) 528-0268		



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To: FCA International Members

**Subject:** FCA International's Fly-In Toolkit

Date: July 15-16, 2025

## MEETING CHECK LIST

• Attire: Professional business attire!

- Business Cards: Bring enough business cards to share with members of Congress and their staff.
- **Comfortable Shoes:** You will be doing a lot of walking as you move from meeting to meeting across Capitol Hill.
- Pack a power bar: Often, your meeting schedule will have you in nonstop meetings for several hours, pack a power bar in the event you cannot stop for lunch.
- Handouts: Please remember to have FCA International materials for the member of Congress or their staff. Pack a pen so you can take notes on member or staff comments along with keeping track of follow up requests.

#### THE VISIT

- Tell your story:
  - o Stay authentic and make your story personal
  - o Be values based
  - o Be relevant to your audience
  - Make it a conversation
- **Share your concerns:** Inform the member of Congress and/or their staff of FCA International's legislative priorities.
- Stay Neutral: Remain neutral, bipartisan, and positive. Do not engage in political conversations with the member of Congress and/or their staff. REMEMBER: Congressional staff are prohibited from engaging in political conversations!
- **Don't Speculate:** Members of Congress and their staff do not expect you to know everything. If you are asked a question, you do not know how to answer, tell the member and/or staff you will get back to them, and use that question as a talking point to engage in follow-up conversations.
- Show your appreciation: Thank the member of Congress and/or staff for taking the time to hear your concerns. If the member or staff has supported FCA International's legislative agenda, be sure to offer your appreciation.
- **Take pictures:** Take a photo with the member of Congress and/or their staff, but ask permission first. Send all photos to Mike Oscar, <a href="moscar@finishingcontractors.org">moscar@finishingcontractors.org</a>, for inclusion on FCA International's Social Media platforms and FCA International's Publications. Please share these photos with your affiliate executive director along with your company's social media department!

#### AFTER YOUR MEETING

- Follow-Up in the Short Term: Send a thank you email to the member of Congress and/or staffer shortly following the meeting. Please respond to any questions you could not answer in the meeting and provide any follow-up information you promised. Please carbon copy Mike Oscar on any follow-up emails to staff at <a href="mailto:moscar@finishingcontractors.org">moscar@finishingcontractors.org</a>.
- Follow-Up in the Long Term: As FCA International's legislative priorities change, send a quick note to staff on current issues facing our industry. Be sure to check with Mike Oscar before offering comments to staff. By keeping the lines of communication open, you will build trust and form a relationship that will aid your industry's efforts!



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To: Legislative Fly-in Attendees From: Michael Oscar / Jon Lee

**Subject:** 2025 Legislative Fly-In Schedule

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## **Tuesday, 7/15/25**

FCA MEMBER	TIME	MEMBER	OFFICE	CONTACT
Laura Regan	1:00 P.M.	Sen. Schumer (D-NY) 322 H		Hannah Smith / Savanah Shaw (Trans.) (202) 224-6542
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Kenneth Ober	1:30 P.M.	Sen. Durbin (D-IL)	711 HSOB	Caroline Fatemi (Small Bus. Leg. Asst.) (202) 224-2152
Ken Ober	1:30 P.M.	Sen. Durbin (D-IL)	711 HSOB	Caroline Fatemi (Small Bus. Leg. Asst.) (202) 224-2152
Matt Anderson	1:30 P.M.	Sen. Durbin (D-IL)	711 HSOB	Caroline Fatemi (Small Bus. Leg. Asst.) (202) 224-2152
Anthony Darkangelo	1:30 P.M.	Sen. Durbin (D-IL)	711 HSOB	Caroline Fatemi (Small Bus. Leg. Asst.) (202) 224-2152
Karen Durante	1:30 P.M.	Sen. Durbin (D-IL)	711 HSOB	Caroline Fatemi (Small Bus. Leg. Asst.) (202) 224-2152
Vincent Fristoe	1:30 P.M.	Sen. Hawley (R-MO)	381 RSOB	Layne Nichols (Small Bus. Legis. Aide) (202) 224-6154
Levi Gebhardt	1:30 P.M.	Sen. Hawley (R-MO)	381 RSOB	Layne Nichols (Small Bus. Legis. Aide) (202) 224-6154
Noah Hogan	1:30 P.M.	Sen. Hawley (R-MO)	381 RSOB	Layne Nichols (Small Bus. Legis. Aide) (202) 224-6154
Chris Sauer	1:30 P.M.	Sen. Hawley (R-MO)	381 RSOB	Layne Nichols (Small Bus. Legis. Aide) (202) 224-6154
Adam Moore	1:30 P.M.	Sen. Hawley (R-MO)	381 RSOB	Layne Nichols (Small Bus. Legis. Aide) (202) 224-6154
Penny McDonald	2:00 P.M.	Sen. Banks (R-IN)	303 HSOB	Jason Geske (Sen. Economic Advisor) (202) 224-4814
Jon Lee	2:00 P.M.	Sen. Banks (R-IN)	303 HSOB	Jason Geske (Sen. Economic Advisor) (202) 224-4814
Kenneth Ober	2:00 P.M.	Sen. Duckworth (D-IL)	524 HSOB	Kaelee Germain / Will Shih (Legis. Assts.) (202) 224-2854
Ken Ober	2:00 P.M.	Sen. Duckworth (D-IL)	524 HSOB	Kaelee Germain / Will Shih (Legis. Assts.) (202) 224-2854
Matt Anderson	2:00 P.M.	Sen. Duckworth (D-IL)	524 HSOB	Kaelee Germain / Will Shih (Legis. Assts.) (202) 224-2854
Karen Durante	2:00 P.M.	Sen. Duckworth (D-IL)	524 HSOB	Kaelee Germain / Will Shih (Legis. Assts.) (202) 224-2854
Laura Regan	2:15 P.M.	Sen. Gillibrand (D-NY)	478 RSOB	Valerie Wales (Small Bus. Leg. Corr.) (202) 224-4451
Vincent Fristoe	2:30 P.M.	Rep. Alford (R-MO)	328 CHOB	Matt Alvero (Small Bus. Sen. Leg. Asst.) (202) 225-2876
Levi Gebhardt	2:30 P.M.	Rep. Alford (R-MO)	328 CHOB	Matt Alvero (Small Bus. Sen. Leg. Asst.) (202) 225-2876
Noah Hogan	2:30 P.M.	Rep. Alford (R-MO)	328 CHOB	Matt Alvero (Small Bus. Sen. Leg. Asst.) (202) 225-2876
Chris Sauer	2:30 P.M.	Rep. Alford (R-MO)	328 CHOB	Matt Alvero (Small Bus. Sen. Leg. Asst.) (202) 225-2876
Adam Moore	2:30 P.M.	Rep. Alford (R-MO)	328 CHOB	Matt Alvero (Small Bus. Sen. Leg. Asst.) (202) 225-2876
Anthony Darkangelo	2:30 P.M.	Rep. Alford (R-MO)	328 CHOB	Matt Alvero (Small Bus. Sen. Leg. Asst.) (202) 225-2876
Laura Regan	3:00 P.M.	Rep. Tonko (D-NY)	2269 RHOB	Clara Tibbetts (Sen. Legislative Asst.) (202) 225-5076
Vincent Fristoe	3:00 P.M.	Rep. Wagner (R-MO)	2350 RHOB	Liam Tuveson (Legislative Assistant) (202) 225-1621
Levi Gebhardt	3:00 P.M.	Rep. Wagner (R-MO)	2350 RHOB	Liam Tuveson (Legislative Assistant) (202) 225-1621
Noah Hogan	3:00 P.M.	Rep. Wagner (R-MO)	2350 RHOB	Liam Tuveson (Legislative Assistant) (202) 225-1621
Chris Sauer	3:00 P.M.	Rep. Wagner (R-MO)	2350 RHOB	Liam Tuveson (Legislative Assistant) (202) 225-1621
Adam Moore	3:00 P.M.	Rep. Wagner (R-MO)	2350 RHOB	Liam Tuveson (Legislative Assistant) (202) 225-1621
Penny McDonald	3:00 P.M.	Sen. Young (R-IN)	185 DSOB	Burke Miller (Small Bus. Legis. Asst.) (202) 224-5623
Jon Lee	3:00 P.M.	Sen. Young (R-IN)	185 DSOB	Burke Miller (Small Bus. Legis. Asst.) (202) 224-5623
Kenneth Ober	3:00 P.M.	Rep. LaHood (R-IL)	503 CHOB	Sam Jockisch (Legislative Assistant) (202) 225-6201
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Matt Anderson	3:00 P.M.	Rep. LaHood (R-IL)	503 CHOB	Sam Jockisch (Legislative Assistant) (202) 225-6201
Karen Durante	3:00 P.M.	Rep. LaHood (R-IL)	503 CHOB	Sam Jockisch (Legislative Assistant) (202) 225-6201

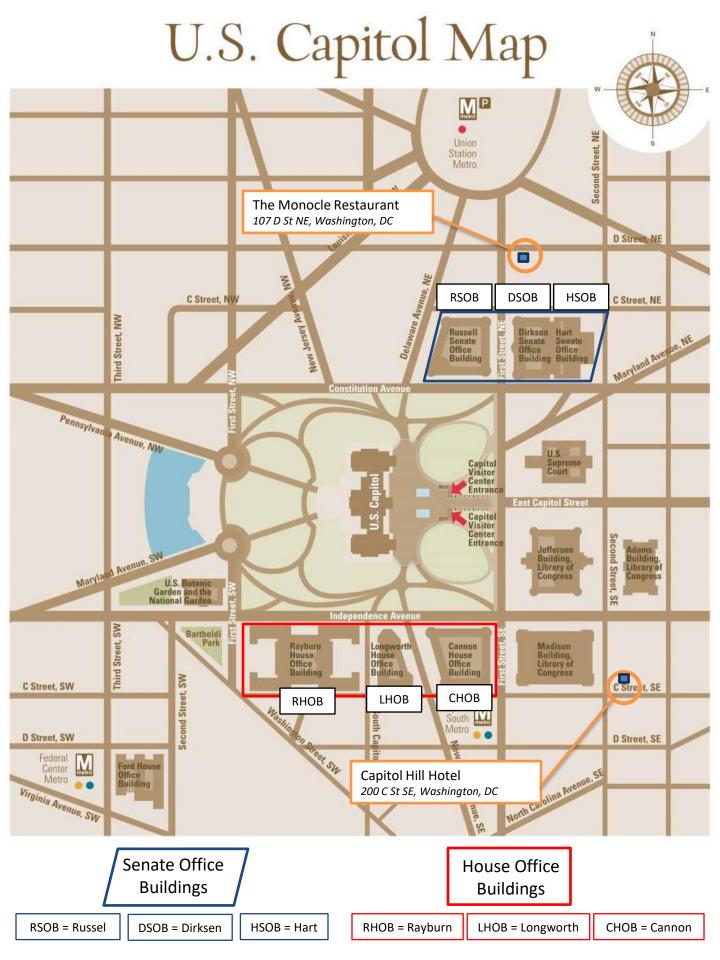
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Kenneth Ober	3:30 P.M.	Rep. Casten (D-IL)	2440 RHOB	Sheridan Okelly (Legislative Assistant) (202) 225-4561
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Matt Anderson	3:30 P.M.	Rep. Casten (D-IL)	2440 RHOB	Sheridan Okelly (Legislative Assistant) (202) 225-4561
Karen Durante	3:30 P.M.	Rep. Casten (D-IL)	2440 RHOB	Sheridan Okelly (Legislative Assistant) (202) 225-4561
Levi Gebhardt	3:30 P.M.	Sen. Schmitt (R-MO)	404 RSOB	Alex Thiessen (Tax Legislative Assistant) (202) 224-5721
Chris Sauer	3:30 P.M.	Sen. Schmitt (R-MO)	404 RSOB	Alex Thiessen (Tax Legislative Assistant) (202) 224-5721
Adam Moore	3:30 P.M.	Sen. Schmitt (R-MO)	404RSOB	Alex Thiessen (Tax Legislative Assistant) (202) 224-5721
Penny McDonald	4:00 P.M.	Rep. Messmer (R-IN)	1208 LHOB	Isabella Vidal (Small Bus. Legis. Aide) (202) 225-4636
Jon Lee	4:00 P.M.	Rep. Messmer (R-IN)	1208 LHOB	Isabella Vidal (Small Bus. Legis. Aide) (202) 225-4636
Vincent Fristoe	4:00 P.M.	Rep. Cleaver (D-MO)	2217 RHOB	Devin Kelsey (Sen. Policy Advisor) (202) 225-4535
Noah Hagan	4:00 P.M.	Rep. Cleaver (D-MO)	2217 RHOB	Devin Kelsey (Sen. Policy Advisor) (202) 225-4535
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# Wednesday, 7/16/25

FCA MEMBER	TIME	MEMBER	OFFICE	CONTACT
Kenneth Ober	12:00 P.M.	Sen. Ernst (R-IA)	260 RSOB	Vivian Ling (Small Business Committee Legal Counsel)
Ken Ober	12:00 P.M.	Sen. Ernst (R-IA)	260 RSOB	Vivian Ling (Small Business Committee Legal Counsel)
Matt Anderson	12:00 P.M.	Sen. Ernst (R-IA)	260 RSOB	Vivian Ling (Small Business Committee Legal Counsel)
Anthony Darkangelo	12:00 P.M.	Sen. Ernst (R-IA)	260 RSOB	Vivian Ling (Small Business Committee Legal Counsel)
Karen Durante	12:00 P.M.	Sen. Ernst (R-IA)	260 RSOB	Vivian Ling (Small Business Committee Legal Counsel)
Vincent Fristoe	12:00 P.M.	Sen. Ernst (R-IA)	260 RSOB	Vivian Ling (Small Business Committee Legal Counsel)
Levi Gebhardt	12:00 P.M.	Sen. Ernst (R-IA)	260 RSOB	Vivian Ling (Small Business Committee Legal Counsel)
Noah Hogan	12:00 P.M.	Sen. Ernst (R-IA)	260 RSOB	Vivian Ling (Small Business Committee Legal Counsel)
Chris Sauer	12:00 P.M.	Sen. Ernst (R-IA)	260 RSOB	Vivian Ling (Small Business Committee Legal Counsel)
Adam Moore	12:00 P.M.	Sen. Ernst (R-IA)	260 RSOB	Vivian Ling (Small Business Committee Legal Counsel)
Penny McDonald	12:00 P.M.	Sen. Ernst (R-IA)	260 RSOB	Vivian Ling (Small Business Committee Legal Counsel)
Jon Lee	12:00 P.M.	Sen. Ernst (R-IA)	260 RSOB	Vivian Ling (Small Business Committee Legal Counsel)
Laura Regan	12:00 P.M.	Sen. Ernst (R-IA)	260 RSOB	Vivian Ling (Small Business Committee Legal Counsel)
Kenneth Ober	1:00 P.M.	Sen. Cramer (R-ND)	313 HSOB	Brady Kenyon (Trans. Legis. Asst.) (202) 224-2043
Ken Ober	1:00 P.M.	Sen. Cramer (R-ND)	313 HSOB	Brady Kenyon (Trans. Legis. Asst.) (202) 224-2043
Matt Anderson	1:00 P.M.	Sen. Cramer (R-ND)	313 HSOB	Brady Kenyon (Trans. Legis. Asst.) (202) 224-2043
Karen Durante	1:00 P.M.	Sen. Cramer (R-ND)	313 HSOB	Brady Kenyon (Trans. Legis. Asst.) (202) 224-2043
Vincent Fristoe	1:00 P.M.	Sen. Cramer (R-ND)	313 HSOB	Brady Kenyon (Trans. Legis. Asst.) (202) 224-2043
Levi Gebhardt	1:00 P.M.	Sen. Hirono (D-HI)	109 HSOB	Ben Strand (Sm. Bus Legislative Assistant) (202) 224-6361
Noah Hogan	1:00 P.M.	Sen. Hirono (D-HI)	109 HSOB	Ben Strand (Sm. Bus Legislative Assistant) (202) 224-6361
Chris Sauer	1:00 P.M.	Sen. Hirono (D-HI)	109 HSOB	Ben Strand (Sm. Bus Legislative Assistant) (202) 224-6361
Adam Moore	1:00 P.M.	Sen. Hirono (D-HI)	109 HSOB	Ben Strand (Sm. Bus Legislative Assistant) (202) 224-6361
Penny McDonald	1:00 P.M.	Sen. Hirono (D-HI)	109 HSOB	Ben Strand (Sm. Bus Legislative Assistant) (202) 224-6361
Jon Lee	1:00 P.M.	Sen. Hirono (D-HI)	109 HSOB	Ben Strand (Sm. Bus Legislative Assistant) (202) 224-6361
Laura Regan	1:30 P.M.	Rep. Stefanik (R-NY)	2211 RHOB	Mat Gutman (Military Legis. Asst.) (518) 802-8282
Anthony Darkangelo	1:30 P.M.	Rep. Stefanik (R-NY)	2211 RHOB	Mat Gutman (Military Legis. Asst.) (518) 802-8282
Kenneth Ober	1:30 P.M.	Sen. Kelly (D-AZ)	516 HSOB	Alex Parker (Transportation Leg. Corr.) (202) 224-2235
Ken Ober	1:30 P.M.	Sen. Kelly (D-AZ)	516 HSOB	Alex Parker (Transportation Leg. Corr.) (202) 224-2235
Matt Anderson	1:30 P.M.	Sen. Kelly (D-AZ)	516 HSOB	Alex Parker (Transportation Leg. Corr.) (202) 224-2235
Karen Durante	1:30 P.M.	Sen. Kelly (D-AZ)	516 HSOB	Alex Parker (Transportation Leg. Corr.) (202) 224-2235
Vincent Fristoe	1:30 P.M.	Sen. Kelly (D-AZ)	516 HSOB	Alex Parker (Transportation Leg. Corr.) (202) 224-2235
Levi Gebhardt	1:30 P.M.	Sen. Kelly (D-AZ)	516 HSOB	Alex Parker (Transportation Leg. Corr.) (202) 224-2235
Noah Hogan	1:30 P.M.	Sen. Kelly (D-AZ)	516 HSOB	Alex Parker (Transportation Leg. Corr.) (202) 224-2235

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Adam Moore	1:30 P.M.	Sen. Kelly (D-AZ)	516 HSOB	Alex Parker (Transportation Leg. Corr.) (202) 224-2235
Penny McDonald	1:30 P.M.	Sen. Kelly (D-AZ)	516 HSOB	Alex Parker (Transportation Leg. Corr.) (202) 224-2235
Jon Lee	1:30 P.M.	Sen. Kelly (D-AZ)	516 HSOB	Alex Parker (Transportation Leg. Corr.) (202) 224-2235
Kenneth Ober	3:00 P.M.	Rep. Bost (R-IL)	352 CHOB	Noah Barger (Trans. Dep. Chief of Staff) (202) 225-5661
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Matt Anderson	3:00 P.M.	Rep. Bost (R-IL)	352 CHOB	Noah Barger (Trans. Dep. Chief of Staff) (202) 225-5661
Vincent Fristoe	3:00 P.M.	Rep. Williams (R-TX)	2361 RHOB	Alex Albrecht (Sm. Bus. Committee Staffer) (202) 225-5821
Levi Gebhardt	3:00 P.M.	Rep. Williams (R-TX)	2361 RHOB	Alex Albrecht (Sm. Bus. Committee Staffer) (202) 225-5821
Noah Hogan	3:00 P.M.	Rep. Williams (R-TX)	2361 RHOB	Alex Albrecht (Sm. Bus. Committee Staffer) (202) 225-5821
Chris Sauer	3:00 P.M.	Rep. Williams (R-TX)	2361 RHOB	Alex Albrecht (Sm. Bus. Committee Staffer) (202) 225-5821
Adam Moore	3:00 P.M.	Rep. Williams (R-TX)	2361 RHOB	Alex Albrecht (Sm. Bus. Committee Staffer) (202) 225-5821
Penny McDonald	3:00 P.M.	Rep. Williams (R-TX)	2361 RHOB	Alex Albrecht (Sm. Bus. Committee Staffer) (202) 225-5821
Anthony Darkangelo	3:00 P.M.	Rep. Williams (R-TX)	2361 RHOB	Alex Albrecht (Sm. Bus. Committee Staffer) (202) 225-5821
Laura Regan	3:00 P.M.	Rep. Williams (R-TX)	2361 RHOB	Alex Albrecht (Sm. Bus. Committee Staffer) (202) 225-5821
Jon Lee	3:00 P.M.	Rep. Scholten (D-MI)	1317 LHOB	Hannah Marsh (Small Business Leg. Asst.) (202)-225-3831
Karen Durante	3:00 P.M.	Rep. Scholten (D-MI)	1317 LHOB	Hannah Marsh (Small Business Leg. Asst.) (202)-225-3831
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Jon Lee	3:30 P.M.	Rep. Stauber (R-MN)	145 CHOB	Allie Esau (Legislative Director) (202) 225-6211
Vincent Fristoe	3:30 P.M.	Rep. Stauber (R-MN)	145 CHOB	Allie Esau (Legislative Director) (202) 225-6211
Kenneth Ober	3:30 P.M.	Rep. Stauber (R-MN)	145 CHOB	Allie Esau (Legislative Director) (202) 225-6211
Chris Sauer	3:30 P.M.	Rep. Stauber (R-MN)	145 CHOB	Allie Esau (Legislative Director) (202) 225-6211
Adam Moore	3:30 P.M.	Rep. Stauber (R-MN)	145 CHOB	Allie Esau (Legislative Director) (202) 225-6211
Penny McDonald	3:30 P.M.	Rep. Stauber (R-MN)	145 CHOB	Allie Esau (Legislative Director) (202) 225-6211
Ken Ober	3:30 P.M.	House Small Bus. Comm.	2069 RHOB	Cate Benedetti (Professional Staff Member) (202) 697-1017
Matt Anderson	3:30 P.M.	House Small Bus. Comm.	2069 RHOB	Cate Benedetti (Professional Staff Member) (202) 697-1017  Cate Benedetti (Professional Staff Member) (202) 697-1017
Karen Durante	3:30 P.M.	House Small Bus. Comm.	2069 RHOB	Cate Benedetti (Professional Staff Member) (202) 697-1017  Cate Benedetti (Professional Staff Member) (202) 697-1017
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Noah Hogan	3:30 P.M.	House Small Bus. Comm.	2069 RHOB	Cate Benedetti (Professional Staff Member) (202) 697-1017  Cate Benedetti (Professional Staff Member) (202) 697-1017
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Anthony Darkangelo	3:30 P.M.	Rep. Langworthy (R-NY)	422 CHOB	Colin Witman (Legislative Assistant) (202) 225-3161
Laura Regan	3:30 P.M.	Rep. Langworthy (R-NY)	422 CHOB	Colin Witman (Legislative Assistant) (202) 225-3161
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Kenneth Ober	4:00 P.M.	Rep. Yakym (R-IN)	349 CHOB	Mike Dankler (Trade Dep. Chief of Staff) (202) 225-3915
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Penny McDonald	4:00 P.M.	Rep. Yakym (R-IN)	349 CHOB	Mike Dankler (Trade Dep. Chief of Staff) (202) 225-3915
Jon Lee	4:00 P.M.	Rep. Yakym (R-IN)	349 CHOB	Mike Dankler (Trade Dep. Chief of Staff) (202) 225-3915
Laura Regan	4:00 P.M.	M. Rep. Yakym (R-IN) 349 CHOB Mike Dankler (Trade Dep. Chief of Staff) (202) 22.		

Immediately following your meetings, please join us for a congressional debrief at the Dubliner located at the intersection of 520 North Capitol Street / 4 F Street, NW, Washington, D.C. ((202) 737-3773) connected to the Phoenix Park Hotel across from the National Postal Museum. Thank you!







# 2025 Legislative Fly-In Congressional Member Biographies

Senate	State	Term	Committee Assignment
Sen. Jim Banks (R)	Indiana	1 <sup>st</sup>	Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (HELP); Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs; and Armed Services - Issue: Change Orders
Sen. Kevin Cramer (R)	North Dakota	2nd	Armed Services; Environment & Public Works; Banking - Issue: P3 Bonding (co-sponsor of bill)
Sen. Tammy Duckworth (D)	Illinois	2nd	Armed Services; Commerce, Science, and Transportation - Issues: Change Orders; P3 Bonding; Tax Reform
Sen. Richard Durbin (D)	Illinois	5th	Judiciary (Ranking Member); Agriculture, Nutrition, & Forestry; Appropriations - <i>Issues: Change Orders; P3 Bonding; Tax Reform</i>
Sen. Joni Ernst (R)	Iowa	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Small Business (Chair); Armed Services - Issue: Change Orders
Sen. Kristen Gillibrand (D)	New York	4th	Appropriations; Armed Services - Issue: Change Orders
Sen. Josh Hawley (R)	Missouri	1st	Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs; Small Business and Entrepreneurship; Judiciary - <i>Issue: Change Orders</i>
Sen. Mazie Hirono (D)	Hawaii	3rd	Armed Services; Judiciary; Energy and Natural Resources; Small Business and Entrepreneurship - <i>Issue: Change Orders</i>
Sen. Mark Kelly (D)	Arizona	1st	Armed Services; Environment and Public Works - Issue: P3 Bonding (co-sponsor of bill)
Sen. Eric Schmitt (R)	Missouri	1st	Armed Services; Commerce, Justice, and Transportation; and Judiciary - Issues: TY for tax reform; Change Orders; P3 Bonding
Sen. Chuck Schumer (D)	New York	5th	Rules and Administration - Issue: Scaffold Law
Sen. Todd Young (R)	Indiana	2nd	Commerce, Science, and Transportation; Small Business - Issues: Change Orders; P3 Bonding; Tax Reform
House	State	Term	Committee Assignments
Rep. Mark Alford (R)	Missouri	$2^{nd}$	Agriculture; Small Business - Issue: Change Order
Rep. Mike Bost (R)	Illinois	6th	Transportation and Infrastructure - Issue: Sponsor P3 Bonding Bill
Rep. Sean Casten (D)	Illinois	4th	Financial Services - Issues: Change Orders; P3 Bonding et al
Rep. Cleaver (D)	Missouri	11th	Financial Services - Issues: Change Orders; P3 Bonding et al
Rep. Darin LaHood (R)	Illinois	6th	Intelligence; Ways and Means - Issue: All priorities
Rep. Nick Longworthy (R)	New York	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Energy & Commerce; Rules - Issue: Author of Scaffold law
Rep. Messmer (R)	Indiana	1 <sup>st</sup>	Education & Workforce - Issues: Change Orders; P3 Bonding et al
Rep. Hillary Scholten (D)	Michigan	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Small Business; Transportation and Infrastructure - Issues: Co-Chair of Procurement Caucus; Change Orders; P3 Bonding et al
Rep. Pete Stauber (R)	Minnesota	4th	Transportation and Infrastructure; Small Business - Issues: Author of Change Order Bill; P3 bonding
Rep. Elise Stefanik (R)	New York	6 <sup>th</sup>	Education & Workforce; Armed Services - Issue: Scaffold Law
Rep. Paul Tonko (D)	New York	8th	Budget; Energy and Commerce - Issues: Change Orders; P3 Bonding et al
Rep. Ann Wagner (R)	Missouri	7th	Financial Services- Issues: Change Orders; P3 Bonding et al
Rep. Roger Williams (R)	Texas	7th	Small Business (Chair) - Issues: Change Orders et al
Rep. Yakym (R)	Indiana	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Ways & Means - Issues: Trade and tariffs



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To: Congressional Staff

From: FCA International Members / Mike Oscar (Director of Legislative Affairs)

**Subject:** FCA International's 2025 Legislative Issues

Date: July 16, 2025

FCA International, an international contractor trade association representing more than 7,000 employers engaged in industrial coating, painting & wallcovering, architectural glass & metal, drywall finishing, flooring, and sign & display work, is the nationally recognized voice of the finishing construction industry that employs over 100,000 employees annually impacting buildings and communities across the nation. The following legislative issues are important to our membership:

- Change Orders: We support the Small Business Payment for Performance Act of 2025, which would require prompt payment to contractors for change orders. The federal government must do more to address enforcement of prompt payment to subcontractors and suppliers.
- P3 Bonding Requirements: We support the Water Infrastructure Subcontractor and Taxpayer Protection Act of 2025 (H.R. 1285 / S. 570), which seeks to affirm that existing payment and performance security requirements extend to infrastructure projects financed through the Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (WIFIA), including Public-Private Partnerships (P3s).
- Refine Tax Reform: We support efforts to restore tax rate parity for all businesses and make individual tax rates, pass-through deductions, and tax extenders permanent. We support the Main Street Tax Certainty Act (H.R. 703 / S.213), which would permanently extend Section 199A of the Internal Revenue Code. Additionally, we oppose the Death Tax; thereby, we support the Death Tax Repeal Act of 2025 (H.R. 1301 / S.587).
- Infrastructure Expansion Act of 2025: We support H.R. 3548, the Infrastructure Expansion Act of 2025, which would reform New York's antiquated liability law on federally funded projects, reduce taxpayer costs, and promote more construction and jobs in New York. This legislation would preempt state law and align New York with 49 other states, which utilize a comparative negligence standard to assess fault, when injuries occur on a construction site.
- Misclassification of Employees as Independent Contractors: We support the tightening of laws to stop
  misclassification of employees as independent contractors and close loopholes for tax avoidance and
  payroll fraud.
- *Prevailing Wage:* We support prevailing wage provisions in current law, and we oppose the repeal of the Davis-Bacon Act; thereby, we oppose the Davis Bacon Repeal Act (H.R. 425/ S. 100).
- House Construction Procurement Caucus: We support this caucus as a vehicle to address construction procurement policies and practices in the public and private sectors.

## Sen. Ernst's DRAFT Unpriced Change Order Bill

The UCO (Unpriced Change Order) process allows the Department of Defense to authorize contractors to begin work on a contract modification before a final price is negotiated. The government sets a Not-to-Exceed (NTE) amount (for example, \$5M) and may fund up to 50% of that amount (so, \$2.5M)—rising to 75% if the contractor submits a timely, qualifying proposal (QP). Contractors are paid for actual work performed and invoiced, as long as cumulative payments don't exceed the applicable cap (\$2.5M). The contract must then be definitized—meaning final price, scope, and terms are negotiated and formalized—typically within 180 days or once 50% of the NTE is obligated, whichever comes first.

This all means that a contractor, under a UCO, can get paid up to 50% of the NTE while the final price of the modification is being negotiated; sounds a lot like Payment for Performance Act! Except in their bill, they're taking this existing process and applying it in limited circumstances; for construction contracts that 1) are awarded to small business, 2) have an NTE of \$5M (so under \$5M) and 3) affect the critical path of a project, so not just any old modification, it has to be one that is make or break.

# Small Business Payment for Performance Act of 2025 NOTE: Rep. Stauber has NOT yet Reintroduced this Legislation

**Background:** Time is money for all businesses, but more so for small businesses. Equitable changes to the contract, more commonly know as change orders, are ubiquitous on construction projects. Yet contractors and subcontractors on federal construction projects increasingly are frustrated by the slow approval of and the resulting lack of payment for change orders. Indeed, some federal agencies routinely delay the review and approval of all change orders until the end of a project. In the meantime, contractors and subcontractors must pay their own bills—employees, suppliers and even taxes—while federal customers delay payment for work performed. This bill would require federal agencies to make interim partial payments to their construction prime contractors for unilateral changes in contract performance directed by the buying agencies.

## Contractor Request for Payment for Agency's Unilateral Change

When a federal agency unilaterally requires a prime construction contractor to perform a change to the contract, a small business prime construction contractor may request an equitable adjustment—an increase in fee—for the additional work. The request must be made in a timely manner and must specify the estimated amount it costs to perform the extra work required by the agency.

## **Interim Partial Payment for Unilateral Changes**

Once it receives a request for an equitable adjustment from a small business construction contractor, a federal agency must make an interim partial payment of at least 50 percent for the additional work, within the time frame specified by the Prompt Payment Act (31 USC 39).

# **Partial Payment Does Not Signify Agreement**

A federal agency's interim partial payment to a small business construction contractor does not prejudice the rights of either party in definitizing the contractor's request for an equitable adjustment during subsequent negotiation or failing to reach mutual agreement, any further resolution pursuant to the disputes clause in the Federal Acquisition Regulation.

## **Payment of Subcontractors and Suppliers**

As under the existing Prompt Payment Act, a federal prime construction contractor must pay its subcontractors and suppliers within seven days of receipt of payment from the federal agency for work performed on the unilateral change to the prime contractor.

The Honorable Shelley Moore Capito Chairman Senate Committee on Environment & Public Works 410 Dirksen Senate Office Building Washington, D.C. 20510 The Honorable Sheldon Whitehouse Ranking Member Senate Committee on Environment & Public Works 410 Dirksen Senate Office Building Washington, D.C. 20510

Re: Markup S. 570, The Water Infrastructure Subcontractor & Taxpayer Protection Act, to provide protections for workers, small business subcontractors, and taxpayers on federally-financed water infrastructure projects

Dear Chairman Capito and Ranking Member Whitehouse,

The undersigned organizations write to respectfully request that you add S. 570, the *Water Infrastructure Subcontractor & Taxpayer Protection Act*, to the agenda of the next markup on legislation pending before the Senate Committee on Environment & Public Works to help advance this critical, but simple, policy solution. This is especially important following the recent full committee hearing "Building on IIJA's Successes: Identifying Opportunities to Strengthen Water Infrastructure Programs."

As the committee continues to help the country deliver meaningful infrastructure improvements, we must make certain adequate protections are applied to the construction of our nation's water infrastructure. Sureties, by way of payment and performance bonds, are common practice on public works projects and are required at the federal level through the Miller Act and at the state level through the Little Miller Acts. Payment and performance bonds play a vital role in ensuring taxpayer resources are not unduly wasted, as a surety steps in to assume the risk in the case any aspect of a project fails to align with the original plan. They guarantee subcontractors, suppliers and workers on public works projects are compensated and projects are completed within budget and on time, even if the lead contractor encounters financial distress.

However, the required use of these protections is not applied consistently to newer forms of project deployment, including public-private partnerships (P3s), which leaves taxpayer funds, as well as payments to subcontractors, small businesses and workers at risk. *The Water Infrastructure Subcontractor and Taxpayer Protection Act*, S. 570, seeks to standardize and de-risk this process by ensuring water infrastructure projects financed by the WIFIA program utilize these security protections.

We respectfully ask for this commonsense, bipartisan bill to be considered for inclusion at the committee's next legislative markup. Thank you in advance for your ongoing leadership and for your consideration in supporting this important request.

Best regards,

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American Property and Casualty Insurance
Association
American Subcontractors Association
Business Coalition for Fair Competition
Council of Insurance Agents and Brokers
FCA International
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