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DOT Intends to Amend or Revoke 52 Transportation Regulations

Recently, the Department of Transportation (DOT) announced its intention to implement 52 deregulatory actions across the Federal Highway Administration, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, and National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. Specifically, DOT plans to rescind, withdraw, or amend regulations that do not enhance safety. Of the proposed 52 deregulatory actions, 43 are in the Notice Proposed Rulemaking stage, seven are final rules, and two are withdrawals of rulemaking actions.

These actions rescind certification labels for truck rear-impact guards and clarify tire load restriction markings on commercial vehicles. They also revise accident reporting criteria and roadside inspection requirements, requiring that carriers submit forms only to states requesting them. The DOT package also proposes amending the definition of the term "medical treatment" for the purpose of accident reporting and allowing dual-status military technicians to qualify for exceptions from certain commercial driver's license standards.

What this means to you

While many of these actions could mean fewer requirements, members of the industry should stay informed to ensure they are meeting their regulatory obligations. Many of the 52 deregulatory actions include an opportunity for interested stakeholders to submit comments. The deadlines for submitting comments vary by action, spanning from June 30 to July 30, 2025.

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If you have any questions about these deregulatory actions, please contact Julie Maurer, Hattie Miller, Benjamin Nashed, or your Husch Blackwell attorney.