



Federal News

- The U.S. Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, Subcommittee on Employment & Workplace Safety [held a hearing on youth apprenticeships](#) and the ways the bipartisan [Youth Apprenticeship Advancement Act \(S. 2363\)](#) could strengthen youth apprenticeship programs. The bill would award \$100 million each year, for five years, in grants to boost and expand workforce training programs for apprentices aged 16-22 who are enrolled in or returning to high school. The apprentices would be engaged in work-based learning and related instruction, allowing them to earn education and apprenticeship credentials. It would be funded entirely from funds collected through H-1B Nonimmigrant Petitioner Fees. [ASA supports S.2363.](#)
- The full U.S. House is slated to vote on [H.R. 7520, the Promoting Americans' Data from Foreign Adversaries Act of 2024](#). This bill would make it illegal for a data broker to sell, lease, rent, trade, transfer, release, disclose, provide access to, or otherwise make available sensitive data of a United States individual to any foreign adversary or entity controlled by a foreign adversary. This language could make it harder for the data collected by automotive repair facilities to get in the hands of malicious actors, like the Chinese government. It passed the House Energy & Commerce Committee with 50 votes in favor and zero against.

State News

- A bill introduced in Utah's state legislature – [Senate Bill \(SB\) 53](#) – would require “transportation network vehicles” (essentially, vehicles used to transport Uber and Lyft customers) to undergo an annual safety inspection. The bill also specifies that level 4 and 5 autonomous vehicles that are owned and operated by the company to transport customers would also be required to undergo an annual inspection.
- A bill under consideration in New York – [S. 5936](#) – would make it harder for auto repair businesses in New York City to renew or transfer their business license. It would require the repair shop to alert their community board of their intent to transfer or renew registration at least 45 days before filing the transfer or renewal application. It would also require the state's DMV commissioner to consider factors like parking violation history and opposition from the local community board before approving the application. Certificates of registration for auto repair shops in New York are required to be renewed every two years.
- A bill – [House Bill \(HB\) 2113](#) – is making its way through the Tennessee Legislature. HB 2113 would place a 3-year statute of limitations for various wage and compensation disputes. It passed both the Civil Justice Committee and House Calendar & Rules Committee. It now awaits a full House vote.

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