



**December 4, 2024**

## **Urge House Lawmakers to Pass the Transportation Security Screening Modernization Act**

***From EMA***

Last month, the Senate approved the Transportation Security Screening Modernization Act by unanimous consent, S. 3959, that would eliminate costly background check redundancies within the Transportation Worker Identification Credential (TWIC), Hazardous Materials Endorsement (HME), and TSA PreCheck programs. Now it is up to the House to approve the bill before the end of this year. House Majority Leader Steve Scalise (R-LA) plans to have the bill on the House floor next week, therefore, EMA encourages you to reach out to your lawmakers this week.

Truck drivers hauling fuel must obtain additional credentials beyond their CDL, such as the TWIC and HME. These credentials, while vital to safety and security, are managed by TSA through duplicative background checks, redundant fees, and avoidable administrative hurdles. The background check required for all three programs is the same, and the enrollment process should be consolidated for multiple credentials. Taking these steps will help increase the number of qualified drivers, reduce supply chain backlogs, and support the timely delivery of essential motor and heating fuel products that drive America's economy.

[CLICK HERE TO URGE HOUSE LAWMAKERS TO SUPPORT THE TRANSPORTATION SECURITY SCREENING MODERINZATION ACT](#)

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## **Federal Judge Blocks Corporate Transparency Act's (CTA) Beneficial Ownership Reporting Requirements**

***From EMA***

Yesterday, the Corporate Transparency Act (CTA) and its implementing regulations, which require U.S. business entities (mostly small businesses) to report beneficial ownership and leadership information to the Treasury Department, were preliminarily blocked nationwide by a Texas federal court. The injunction comes just weeks before the January 1, 2025, deadline for compliance with reporting requirements. The injunction temporarily bars the Treasury Department from enforcing the reporting requirements at this time, but this does not

necessarily mean the CTA is gone. Litigation and appeals are likely to continue, which will cause uncertainty around next steps. EMA is still working through its formal update and will have more information later this week. There is a lot to parse here, and it is difficult to provide clear advice given the timing and unique nature of a preliminary injunction (compared with a final ruling or permanent injunction). [Click here](#) to read the Judge's order for reference.

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### **SE Petro Food Expo- March 5-6, 2025 Exhibit Space Sold Out as is Headquarters Hotel**

Members are reminded to make plans to attend the 2025 edition of the SE Petro Food Expo at the Myrtle Beach Convention Center. Next year's event will be held March 5-6. Rooms are still available at many hotels close to the convention center but the Headquarters Sheraton hotel is sold out. The event will begin with educational sessions on March 5 followed by the day long expo. Wednesday evening from 5-7 pm VPCMA will hold our traditional hospitality suite reception which is open to all meeting attendees. To register to attend and for hotel info, [click here](#).

VPCMA Hospitality Reception  
Sheraton Room 303/McNair Suite  
Wednesday, March 5, 2026 - 5-7pm