

January 14, 2025

The Honorable Ted Cruz  
Chairman  
Committee on Commerce, Science,  
and Transportation  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Maria Cantwell  
Ranking Member  
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and Transportation  
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Dear Chairman Cruz and Ranking Member Cantwell:

On behalf of the American Trucking Associations' Moving and Storage Conference (ATA-MSC) and the small-and-medium-sized companies that make up the moving and storage industry in every community across the nation, I write to offer my full support for the nomination of Sean Duffy to be Secretary of the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT).

As an accomplished Representative for Wisconsin's 7<sup>th</sup> Congressional District, former Congressman Duffy has shown the willingness and commitment to support reasonable policies that fostered growth and certainty for the small business community. We are confident in Representative Duffy's ability to work with Congress to ensure our vital transportation network remains the world's envy.

America's movers are reliant on not only a durable network of well-maintained and reliable highways, but also a strong DOT that provides robust oversight into fraudulent actors who deceive consumers into believing they are legitimate moving company operators. As Congress and the Department begin its work on a surface transportation reauthorization, it is imperative that the agency have strong leadership.

ATA-MSC looks forward to working with Congress and the Department of Transportation to improve key policies to protect consumers. We strongly support passage of legislation such as the *Household Goods Shipping Consumer Protection Act*, to empower regulators to act against scam companies and individuals who defraud consumers, clarify registration requirements for brokers, dedicate funding for investigations of moving fraud, and update consumer protection rules. Consumers have waited long enough for Congress to take seriously the urgent need to crack down on rogue operators and confront the damage they've caused, such as holding hostage an entire home's worth of goods in exchange for excessive sums of money.

Thank you for your leadership on this vital Committee, and your consideration of these important priorities.

Sincerely,



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Executive Director, ATA-MSC