

How the U.S. President's "One Big Beautiful Bill" May Impact Global Logistics

The One Big Beautiful Bill Act (OBBBA) is a budget reconciliation law passed by the 119th United States Congress on July 3<sup>rd</sup> containing tax and spending policies that form the core of U.S. President Trump's second-term agenda. The bill was signed into law by President Trump on July 4, 2025. Being marketed as support for American manufacturing and competitiveness, the bill has garnered some criticism for fiscal irresponsibility and potential disruption to global trade and supply chains.

## **Key Impacts on Global Logistics**

Measure	Likely Impact
Heightened U.S.	The OBBBA allocates significant funding to expand physical border
Border/security	infrastructure and increase staffing for U.S. Customs and Border Protection.
measures	These enhanced security measures, which include more frequent inspections
	and stricter enforcement protocols, may slow cross-border freight movements
	from Mexico. As a result, land freight transit times could lengthen.
EV and Clean Energy	OBBBA rolls back some clean-energy tax credits, particularly for electric
Logistics Impact	vehicles (EVs). Logistics providers supporting EV supply chains or lithium-ion
	battery transport should anticipate potential demand shifts or regulatory
	adjustments.
U.S. Trucking Taxes	Trucking industry associations are divided over the impact of the One Big
	Beautiful Bill Act (OBBBA). The American Trucking Associations (ATA), which
	represents large carriers and state trucking associations, praised the bill for
	providing long-term tax certainty and funding for workforce development. ATA



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	says these provisions will help companies plan ahead, invest in equipment, and strengthen the supply chain.  In contrast, the Owner-Operator Independent Drivers Association (OOIDA), which represents small-business truckers and independent drivers, opposes the bill. OOIDA argues it imposes a new \$100 annual fee on small carriers, excludes employee drivers from key tax benefits, and fails to address longstanding labor concerns like guaranteed overtime pay. They say the legislation favors brokers and large fleets while leaving small operators behind.
Business and International Tax Reforms	OBBBA restores full expensing for capital equipment purchases and domestic research and development activities, allowing businesses to deduct these costs immediately. It also modifies interest deduction limits and international tax rules, potentially affecting how multinational companies structure their operations and financing. Additionally, the bill provides full expensing for new manufacturing, production, and refining facilities.

Kintetsu World Express is closely monitoring the situation and working with customers to understand the impact on shipments and compliance requirements.

For assistance with shipment planning or operational adjustments related to U.S. policy developments, please contact your local KWE representative.

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