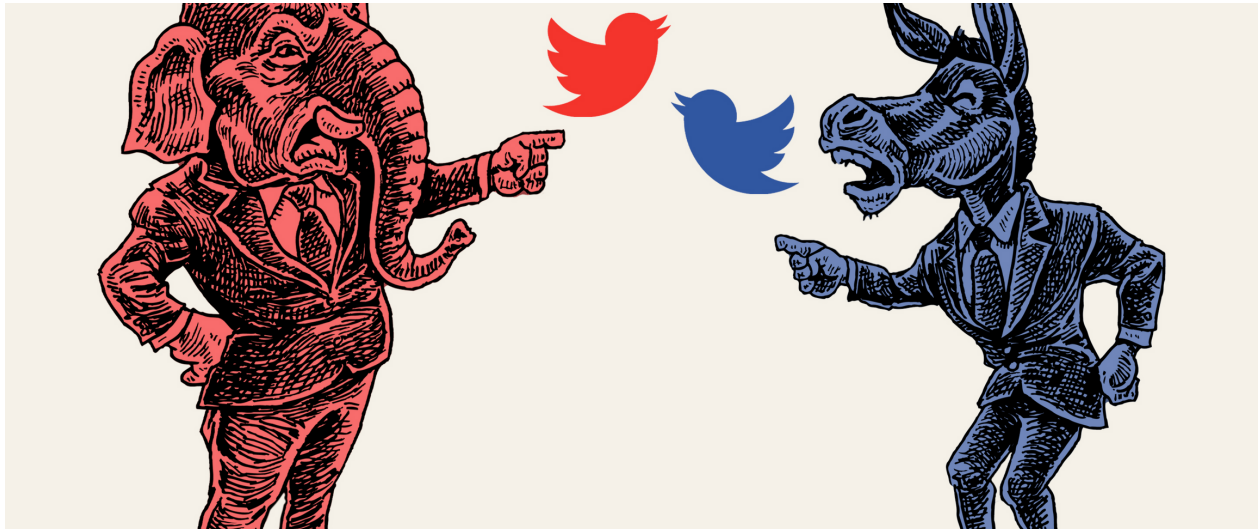




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The Latest News & Updates from TIA's Government Affairs Department



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Partisan Politics Continues on Capitol Hill

This will likely be no surprise to anyone, but the divisiveness on Capitol Hill continues in the 117th Congress. Currently, there are efforts being driven by the Democrat Leadership, advising their fellow Democrats to not work on bipartisan legislation with their Republican counterparts who voted against the certification of the 2020 Presidential Election results. Further exacerbating the situation, Republican Members who **did** vote to certify the election results of the 2020 Presidential Election are not allowing Democratic leadership to dictate which Members that Republicans can work with, creating a stalemate and delaying the introduction of some good pieces of legislation.

We know there are some Members of the Blue Dog Coalition (moderate Democrats) that have already begun working with Republican Members no matter how they voted on the certification of the election.

We, as an organization, hope that this situation and stalemate ends soon, and that partisan politics can be put aside for common-sense solutions. With the second impeachment trial of President Trump now behind us, it is time for Congress to stop pettifogging, come together, and pass laws to help the American people and unify our nation.

TIA Shipper Committee & Council Develop Final Mile Logistics Whitepaper



TIA's Shipper Committee and Council Members - comprised of industry-leading 3PLs and shipper professionals - are working on the development of the association's latest white paper focused on final mile logistics. The white paper is being produced in conjunction with the Customized Logistics Delivery Association (CLDA).

The white paper will focus on the relationship between shippers, 3PLs, and motor carriers, as well as how these three groups can get value out of working together on final mile logistics and creating a collaborative relationship.

If you are interested in learning more about the white paper or want to contribute, please contact advocacy@tianet.org.

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TICKET
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Winner to Be Announced May 17

The advertisement features a Benelli Super Black Eagle 3 semi-automatic shotgun centered against a background of tall grasses and a sunset sky with birds in flight. The text is arranged in a clear, bold layout, with the TIA PAC logo and raffle title at the top, the prize name in the middle, and ticket details and deadline at the bottom.

TIA Host Quarterly International Logistics Conference Meeting

Last week, the TIA International Logistics Conference Committee came together for its quarterly meeting to discuss several pressing issues facing the 3PL industry. The Committee was joined by special guest John Murphy, Senior Vice President for International Policy at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, who gave a presentation on the status of U.S. trade and an overview on how the Biden Administration is shaping international commerce. Mr. Murphy also updated the group on its legislative and regulatory efforts in the 117th Congress.



The meeting also included a plan of action to advocate at the Commercial Custom Operations Advisory Committee (COAC) under the Department of Homeland Security. The COAC's jurisdiction includes the C-TPAT program, which TIA has engaged on directly with the leadership of this program. The COAC meets next on March 17th. TIA will prepare formal comments for this public session, speaking on opening-up the program to DOT-licensed 3PLs, who are still not allowed to be part of the program despite similar non-asset based logistics providers inclusion. This creates not only a double standard but a public safety gap, contrary to its original purpose being a product of the 9/11 terrorist attacks.

TIAPAC - Congressional Comments

TIA Government Affairs has flagged a new set of comments from two Members of Congress who recently indicated support for the disastrous "rate transparency" issue initiated by OOIDA. These are the same proposed change that would put your proprietary information out to your suppliers. TIA has reached out to these Member's offices for a chance to hear our side of the story, and talk about who really sets the rates in the market... the market, not freight brokers.

The truth: OOIDA out-raised us last year by over \$100K and receives contributions from roughly 15% of its membership. Conversely, only about 5% of TIA Members contribute to TIAPAC. We need your support, now more than ever, so that our industry doesn't get turned on its head. This needs to change, and quick.

We are asking every Member of TIA to support our efforts in combating misinformation that has been circulated on the Hill. We know this is a tough time to donate to TIAPAC, and we also understand the pandemic has hurt a lot of businesses, however think of this donation as an investment in the industry to protect your business. This is why the TIAPAC Board of Directors put in place a stretch goal of \$200K for 2021... \$50K more than we have ever raised before. With your help, we can make this goal.

