Press Release

AAF Examines Federal Infrastructure Asset Recycling Option

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The American Action Forum (@AAF) released research examining the potential of infrastructure asset recycling to fund new infrastructure projects. The research finds that while asset recycling could be a good infrastructure funding strategy for state and local governments, it may be difficult to implement at the federal level.

Key points:

- Asset recycling is a measure that enables the government to fund infrastructure investments through proceeds made from the sale or lease of public assets, typically fixed assets, to the private sector.
- While asset recycling could be a viable strategy for state and local governments, a federal asset recycling initiative could be challenging. The U.S. government has less than $270 billion in non-defense fixed assets for potential recycle, with many assets unlikely to attract permanent or temporary private sector investment.

Click here to read the research.