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Homeland Security Head: Somone Should Protect Mass Transit

by Michael in New York on [7/29/2005 07:53:00 PM](#)

Homeland head Michael Chertoff blathers on in a [Washington Post](#) op-ed. He tries to defend spending so much more money on airports instead of other mass transit, admits that money should be targeted even more towards the vulnerable posts and cities (which Bush doesn't do enough of), holds up the hope that some fancy new technology will solve all our problems, fobs off most of the responsibility on state and local people and then offers this whopper:

Finally, catastrophic attacks on mass transit infrastructure have the potential to kill thousands -- and preventing them must be a primary focus of federal resources.

A "primary focus?" Then why has Bush done so little about trains and subways and bridges and tunnels? Why is Bush's Congress cutting back on airport security screeners by almost 15%, as we posted below? Thanks to threader aaron for pointing us to this.



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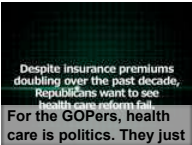
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