49 CFR Part 659 vs 49 CFR Part 674 Comparison Chart

	Pre-MAP-21 (49 CFR Part 659)	Post-MAP-21 (49 CFR Part 674)
Financial & Legal Independence	None required	Is financially and legally independent from any public transportation entity that the State safety oversight agency oversees
Operational Independence	None required	Does not directly provide public transportation services in an area with a rail fixed guideway public transportation system subject to the requirements of this section
Administrative Independence	A party or entity could not provide services to both the oversight agency and the transit agency it oversees	Does not employ any individual who is also responsible for the administration of rail fixed guideway public transportation programs subject to the requirements of this section
Oversight Agency Authority	Varied from state to state	Has the authority to review, approve, oversee, and enforce the implementation by the rail fixed guideway public transportation agency of the public transportation agency safety plan
Investigative & Enforcement Authority	Varied from state to state	Has investigative and enforcement authority with respect to the safety of rail fixed guideway public transportation systems of the eligible State
Triennial Auditing	On-site reviews of rail transit agencies at least every three years.	Audits, at least once triennially, the compliance of the rail fixed guideway public transportation systems in the State
Annual Reporting	Annual certification of compliance submitted to FTA.	Provides, at least once annually, a status report on the safety of the rail fixed guideway public transportation systems the State safety oversight agency oversees to FTA; the Governor of the State; and the board of directors of the rail fixed guideway agency.