SENATE BILL REPORT SHB 1137

As of March 12, 2021

Title: An act relating to elevating road maintenance and preservation in transportation planning.

Brief Description: Elevating road maintenance and preservation in transportation planning.

Sponsors: House Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Representatives

McCaslin, Young, Barkis, Schmick and Graham).

Brief History: Passed House: 3/6/21, 88-10.

Committee Activity: Transportation: 3/15/21.

Brief Summary of Bill

• Requires state transportation agencies to perform their duties with preservation and safety being priorities.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

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Background: State law includes the following six transportation policy goals: (1) economic vitality, (2) preservation, (3) safety, (4) mobility, (5) environment, and (6) stewardship. The goals are intended by the Legislature to serve as the basis for planning, operation, performance of, and investment in, the state's transportation system. The goals are also intended to be the basis for establishing detailed and measurable objectives and related performance measures. State transportation agencies must perform their duties in a manner consistent with the policy goals.

Summary of Bill: State transportation agencies are required to perform their duties in a manner consistent with the policy goals, with preservation and safety being priorities.

The stewardship goal is modified to include continuously improving the resilience of the

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transportation system.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Available.

Creates Committee/Commission/Task Force that includes Legislative members: No.

Effective Date: Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.