Sponsor(s): Representative Fisher

Brief Description: Revising laws relating to transportation governance and projects.

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Declares an intent to establish policy goals for operation, performance of, and investment in, the state's The policy goals shall consist of the transportation system. following benchmark categories, adopted by the state's blue ribbon commission on transportation on November 30, 2000. In addition to improving safety, public investments in transportation support achievement of these and other priority goals: interstate highways, state routes, and local arterials shall be in poor condition; no bridges shall be structurally deficient, and safety retrofits shall be performed on those state bridges at the highest seismic risk levels; traffic congestion on urban state highways shall be significantly reduced and be no worse than the national mean; delay per driver shall be significantly reduced and no worse than the national mean; per capita vehicle miles traveled shall be maintained at 2000 levels; the nonauto share of commuter trips shall be increased in urban areas; administrative costs as a percentage of transportation spending shall achieve the most efficient quartile nationally; and the state's public transit agencies shall achieve the median cost per vehicle revenue hour of peer transit agencies, adjusting for the regional cost-of-living.

Declares that these policy goals shall be the basis for establishment of detailed and measurable performance benchmarks.

Declares an intent to create an independent and objective transportation accountability board to establish performance measures and benchmarks to ensure transportation system performance at all levels of government.

Provides for alternative delivery procedures for construction services.

Revises apprenticeship provisions and makes adjustments to prevailing wage provisions.

Provides for transportation planning and efficiency requirements.