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S 0505 General Bill, By Grooms and Campbell Similar (S 0492)

Summary: Transportation plan

A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 57-1-370(B) OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE STATEWIDE TRANSPORTATION PLAN, TO PROVIDE THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION SHALL ESTABLISH PROJECT PRIORITY LISTS FOR EACH PROGRAM CATEGORY PROPOSED TO BE INCLUDED IN THE STATEWIDE TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE PLAN AND THE STATE NON-FEDERAL AID PROGRAM; TO REPEAL SECTION 57-1-460, RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SECRETARY'S EVALUATION AND APPROVAL OF ROUTINE OPERATION, MAINTENANCE, AND EMERGENCY REPAIRS; TO REPEAL SECTION 57-1-470, RELATING TO THE COMMISSION'S REVIEW OF ROUTINE MAINTENANCE AND EMERGENCY REPAIR REQUESTS APPROVED BY THE SECRETARY; TO AMEND SECTION 57-1-310(A) AND (B), RELATING TO THE COMPOSITION OF THE COMMISSION, TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF AT-LARGE SEATS TO TWO; TO AMEND SECTION 57-1-360(B), RELATING TO THE STANDARDS FOR AUDITS, TO REQUIRE THAT FINAL AUDIT REPORTS MUST BE PUBLISHED ON THE DEPARTMENT'S AND STATE AUDITOR'S WEBSITES; TO AMEND SECTION 57-1-430, RELATING TO THE SECRETARY'S DUTIES, TO REQUIRE THE SECRETARY TO PREPARE AND PUBLISH ON THE DEPARTMENT'S WEBSITE AN ANNUAL REPORT OUTLINING THE DEPARTMENT'S ANNUAL EXPENDITURES, A LIST OF ALL COMPANIES DOING BUSINESS WITH THE DEPARTMENT, AND THE AMOUNT SPENT ON THESE CONTRACTS; TO AMEND SECTION 57-1-310(A), RELATING TO THE COMPOSITION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION, TO REQUIRE THAT THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION REPRESENT THE TRANSPORTATION NEEDS OF THE STATE AS A WHOLE AND MAY NOT SUBORDINATE THE NEEDS OF THE STATE TO THOSE OF ANY PARTICULAR AREA OF THE STATE; AND TO AMEND SECTION 57-1-350, RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION'S RULES AND PROCEDURES, TO REQUIRE THE COMMISSION TO HOLD A MINIMUM OF SIX REGULAR MEETINGS ANNUALLY AND TO PROVIDE NOTICE REQUIREMENTS, TO LIMIT A COMMISSIONER'S PARTICIPATION IN THE DAY-TO-DAY OPERATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT, EXCEPT IN AN OVERSIGHT ROLE WITH THE SECRETARY, TO PROHIBIT A COMMISSIONER FROM TAKING PART IN CERTAIN FUNCTIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT, AND TO PROHIBIT A COMMISSIONER FROM HAVING ANY INTEREST, DIRECT OR INDIRECT, IN ANY CONTRACT, FRANCHISE, PRIVILEGE, OR OTHER BENEFIT GRANTED OR AWARDED BY THE DEPARTMENT DURING THE TERM OF HIS APPOINTMENT AND FOR ONE YEAR AFTER THE TERMINATION OF THE APPOINTMENT.

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