
OLR Bill Analysis

sSB 278

AN ACT CONCERNING TRANSPARENCY RELATED TO FEDERAL FUNDS RECEIVED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR CAPITAL PROJECTS.

SUMMARY

Beginning by January 1, 2025, this bill requires the Department of Transportation (DOT) commissioner to annually submit a report to the Transportation and Finance, Revenue and Bonding committees that includes the following information about its capital projects:

1. the status of each project identified in the most recent five-year DOT transportation capital plan for the state;
2. the estimated start and completion dates for each phase of these projects;
3. the amount of federal funds obligated or committed for each project, including for any completed and future phase; and
4. the amount of federal funds received for each project, including for any completed and current phase.

The bill requires the commissioner to post the report on DOT's website. It also requires the commissioner, by January 1, 2025, to create, and then at least quarterly update, a separate website page for information about the projects in the department's five-year capital plan. Under the bill, this webpage must include the following information:

1. a short description of each project and its status;
2. a map showing the municipality where each project is located;

3. the anticipated cost of each phase of these projects and their estimated start and completion dates; and
4. the amount of federal funds received for each project, including for any completed and current phase.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon passage

COMMITTEE ACTION

Transportation Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 35 Nay 0 (03/20/2024)