
DIGEST

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HB No. 31

Abstract: Provides for presentation format by which DOTD shall present the proposed highway construction program to the Joint Highway Priority Construction Committee and allows for substitutions for deleted projects.

Present law provides that DOTD shall provide a proposed program of construction for the coming fiscal year to the Joint Highway Priority Construction Committee.

Proposed law requires that the proposed program shall display proposed construction projects in certain defined areas.

Proposed law provides that the proposed program shall indicate how many miles of state, local, and federal roads are in certain defined areas and how many of those same miles will be improved or added.

Proposed law provides that any maps provided with the proposed program shall be easily discernable.

Present law provides that when the final construction program is communicated to the legislature for funding for the coming fiscal year, any project which the legislature determines is not in the proper order of priority in accordance with certain provisions of law may be deleted by the legislature.

Present law provides that the legislature shall not make substitutions for projects which have been removed from the final construction program.

Proposed law removes present law and provides that if a project is deleted by the legislature, another project may be substituted in that project's place if certain conditions are met.

(Amends R.S. 48:231(A))