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S 1164. ESTABLISH METROPOLITAN PLANNING BDS (=H 1288). TO ESTABLISH METROPOLITAN PLANNING BOARDS TO ASSIST THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF TRANSPORTATION PLANS AND PROGRAMS FOR URBAN AREAS OF THE STATE. Definitions of metropolitan planning board and metropolitan area are based on federal law. Requires Governor, with assistance of Sec'y of Transportation, to designate a metropolitan planning board for each urban area of more than 50,000 population and to determine boundaries of metropolitan area served by board in accordance with federal law. Initial designations must be made no later than Dec. 31, 2001. Intro. by Clodfelter.

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S 1164. ESTABLISH METROPOLITAN PLANNING BOARDS. Intro. 4/15/1999. Senate committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Changes title to: "TO ESTABLISH CONSOLIDATED METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATIONS UNDER STATE LAW." Revises proposed GS 136-15.1 to state purpose of act to implement 23 U.S.C. 134 and sec. 8 of Federal Transit Act, requiring Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for each urbanized area. Boundaries of MPOs to be determined by Governor on recommendation of Sec'y of Transportation. Boundaries must reflect current and projected commuting patterns; major regional transportation facilities; and consistency with federally designated metropolitan statistical area boundaries. Boundaries to be reexamined after each decennial census. MPO membership to include local elected officials, appropriate state officials, and officials of transportation agencies.