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H 1542. STUDY DOT ENVIRONMENTAL MITIGATION PROCESS. Filed 4/17/07. AUTHORIZING THE LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMISSION TO STUDY ISSUES RELATING TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW, PERMITTING, AND MITIGATION PROCESS USED IN THE CONSTRUCTION OR EXPANSION OF STATE HIGHWAYS.

Authorizes the Legislative Research Commission to conduct a study as title indicates. Directs the commission to address the internal environmental review process of the Department of Transportation, the Department of Environment and Natural Resources, and any other department or agency involved in the environmental oversight or review of the construction or expansion of state highways. Requires a final report to the 2009 General Assembly and allows an interim report to the 2008 Regular Session. Requires the Legislative Services Commission to give prior approval to the commission to contract with consultants. Intro. by Dollar.

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