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HOUSE BILL DRH40276-ML-149 (03/17)

Short Title: DOT/Funding for Preliminary Engineering. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Shepard and Torbett (Primary Sponsors).

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO ENTER
3 INTO AGREEMENTS WITH UNITS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO FUND
4 PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING FOR CERTAIN TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS.

5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 SECTION 1. G.S. 136-66.8 reads as rewritten:

7 "§ 136-66.8. **Agreements with units of local government to expedite projects.**

8 (a) Agreements Authorized. – The Department of Transportation may enter into
9 agreements with units of local government for either of the purpose of expediting following
10 purposes:

- 11 (1) Expediting transportation projects currently programmed in the
12 Transportation Improvement Plan-Program.
13 (2) Funding preliminary engineering for projects not currently programmed in
14 the Transportation Improvement Program but programmed in the
15 immediately preceding Transportation Improvement Program.

16 (b) Form of Project Agreements. – The agreements ~~affected~~ authorized by subdivision
17 (1) of subsection (a) of this section shall be between the Department of Transportation and
18 units of local government. The agreements may authorize units of local government to
19 construct projects scheduled in the Transportation Improvement ~~Plan-Program~~
20 more than two years from the date of the agreement. The units of local government shall fund one hundred
21 percent (100%) of the project at current prices. In a future year, when the project is funded
22 from State and federal sources, the units of local government shall be reimbursed an
23 appropriate share of the funds, at the future programmed project funding amount, as identified
24 and scheduled in the Transportation Improvement ~~Plan-Program~~.

25 (b1) Form of Preliminary Engineering Agreement. – The agreements authorized by
26 subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of this section shall be between the Department of
27 Transportation and units of local government. The units of local government shall fund one
28 hundred percent (100%) of the preliminary engineering funding at current prices. In a future
29 year, when the project is funded from State and federal sources, the units of local government
30 shall be reimbursed for the amount expended in accordance with the agreement.

31 (c) Report. – The Department of Transportation shall annually report to the Joint
32 Legislative Transportation Oversight Committee by December ~~1, 2006,~~ 1 on any agreements
33 executed with units of local government pursuant to this section."

34 SECTION 2. This act is effective when it becomes law.

