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State Highway Flexibility Act

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 18, 2011

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
112 S 1446	Related bill	Jul 28, 2011: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
112 HR 632	Related bill	Feb 11, 2011: Referred to the Subcommittee on Highways and Transit.
112 S 252	Related bill	Feb 1, 2011: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

Summary (as of Apr 15, 2011)

State Highway Flexibility Act - Allows a state to elect not to participate in the federal-aid highway program, including any federal highway program under the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU).

Directs the Secretary of Transportation (DOT), beginning in FY2011, to carry out a direct federal-aid highway program to permit a state governor or chief executive officer, at least 90 days before the beginning of a fiscal year, to elect to: (1) waive the state's right to receive apportioned or allocated funds under the federal-aid highway program, and (2) receive instead a prorated amount of taxes appropriated to the Highway Trust Fund (other than for the Mass Transit Account) which are attributable to highway users in the state. Requires a pro rata reduction of such tax-equivalent amount in order to fund contract authority for programs of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) and the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA).

Requires the state governor or chief executive officer making an election to: (1) agree to maintain the Interstate System in accordance with its current Interstate System program; (2) submit a plan describing the purposes, projects, and uses to which such amounts will be put and the federal-aid highway programmatic requirements the state elects to continue; and (3) agree to obligate program amounts exclusively for projects that would be eligible for surface transportation program funding.

Directs the Secretary to carry out a similar alternative funding program for public transportation programs.

Actions Timeline

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