

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law.

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For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO ENSURE THAT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY HAS ADEQUATE INFORMATION TO MAKE INFORMED DECISIONS ON HIGHWAY FUNDING BEFORE EACH REGULAR SESSION AND EACH FISCAL SESSION BY REQUIRING THE DIRECTOR OF STATE HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION TO PROVIDE INFORMATION ON VARIOUS ISSUES, INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION THE LOCATION OF THE MOST CONGESTED ROUTES, THE MOST DANGEROUS TRANSPORTATION AREAS, THE EXPENDITURE PER PERSON OF STATE AND FEDERAL HIGHWAY FUNDS IN EACH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT, AND THE NUMBER OF MILES OF THE STATE HIGHWAY SYSTEM THAT ARE IN EACH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO ENSURE THAT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY HAS ADEQUATE INFORMATION TO MAKE INFORMED DECISIONS ON HIGHWAY FUNDING BEFORE EACH REGULAR SESSION AND EACH FISCAL SESSION.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 27, Chapter 65, Subchapter 1, is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

27-65-146. Additional reporting before each regular session and each fiscal session.



(a) As used in this section:

(1) "Congested route" means a street or highway that is part of the state highway system and is:

(A) A rural two-lane street or highway with an average daily traffic count of nine thousand (9,000) or more vehicles each day;

(B) An urban two-lane street or highway with an average daily traffic count of thirteen thousand (13,000) or more vehicles each day;

(C) A four-lane street or highway with an average daily traffic count of fifty thousand (50,000) or more vehicles each day; or

(D) A six-lane street or highway with an average daily traffic count of eighty thousand (80,000) or more vehicles each day;

(2) "Discretionary funds" means funds available for use by the State Highway Commission or the Arkansas Department of Transportation that are not:

(A) Designated for a specific use under law;

(B) Required to be used by law or by contract for debt service; or

(C) Required to be used by law or by contract as a source for matching funds; and

(3) "Peak usage time" means the time of day during the week that the majority of people use streets and highways to travel to and from work or school, or both.

(b) Upon the convening of the General Assembly at each regular session and each fiscal session, the Director of State Highways and Transportation shall provide the following information in report form to all members of the General Assembly:

(1) The location of the ten (10) most congested routes in urban areas;

(2) The location of the ten (10) most congested routes in rural areas;

(3) For each county in the state, the five (5) locations that have the highest number of vehicle accidents and the five (5) locations that have the highest number of fatal vehicle accidents;

(4) The expenditure per person of state and federal highway

funds, including without limitation discretionary funds, in each congressional district over the preceding ten (10) years;

(5) The number of miles of the state highway system that are in each congressional district; and

(6) The expenditures made per congressional district of state and federal highway funds, including without limitation discretionary funds, for the preservation of the state highway system.

/s/Lundstrum