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House Bill 4107

Sponsor: Rep. Vincent J. Porreca

Committee: Transportation

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4107 AS INTRODUCED 1-17-95

Public Act 231 of 1987 (MCL 247.909 et al.) created the Transportation Economic Development Fund to help pay for transportation projects that relate to economic development. The act specifies that for a project to qualify for funding it must fall under one of several categories, including economic development road projects in certain "targeted industries" (e.g., tourism, forestry, high technology research, among others). The bill would expand this list of road projects in targeted industries that qualify for funding under the act to include those that relate to "international or user fee airports," or both, as defined by the Customs Bureau of the U.S. Department of Treasury in counties with more than 500,000 people.

Currently, the Wayne County Road Commission holds jurisdictional authority over the Davison Freeway. The bill specifies that, not later than September 30, 1995, jurisdiction over the freeway would be transferred to the state Department of Transportation. Also, the act authorizes urban task forces representing urban areas to select and designate certain projects as being eligible for funding. For projects involving road widening only, task forces are required to designate those projects that 1) qualify for federal aid and 2) involve certain improvements on 2-lane roadways or larger that meet a minimum threshold of daily vehicular traffic, based on traffic counts done on or before April 1, 1993. The bill would amend this provision to specify an April 1, 1995 date for the completion of the traffic counts.

MCL 247.909, 247.911, and 247.912