

Amendment No.

CHAMBER ACTION

Senate

House

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1 Representative(s) Zapata offered the following:

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3 **Amendment (with title amendment)**

4 Between lines 3465 and 3466, insert:

5 Section 52. Department of Transportation study of  
6 transportation facilities providing access to Indian  
7 reservations; report and recommendations authorized.--

8 (1) The Department of Transportation is directed to  
9 conduct a study of the impacts that legalized gambling and other  
10 activities on Indian reservation lands are having on public  
11 roads and other transportation facilities, regarding traffic  
12 congestion and other mobility issues, facility maintenance and  
13 repair costs, emergency evacuation readiness, costs of potential  
14 future widening or other improvements, and other impacts on the  
15 motoring, nongaming public.

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16       (2) The study shall include, but is not limited to, the  
17 following information:

18       (a) A listing, description, and functional classification  
19 of the access roads to and from each Indian reservation in the  
20 state.

21       (b) An identification of these access roads that either  
22 are scheduled for improvements within the department's 5-year  
23 Work Program, or are listed on the department's or a  
24 metropolitan planning organization's 20-year, long-range  
25 transportation plan.

26       (c) The most recent traffic counts on the access roads and  
27 projected future usage, as well as any projections of impacts on  
28 secondary, feeder, or connector roads, interstate highway exit  
29 and entrance ramps, or other area transportation facilities.

30       (d) The safety and maintenance ratings of each access road  
31 and a detailed review of impacts on local and state emergency  
32 management agencies to provide emergency or evacuation services.

33       (e) The estimated infrastructure costs to maintain,  
34 improve, or widen these access roads based on future projected  
35 needs.

36       (f) The feasibility of implementing tolls on these access  
37 roads or, if already tolled, raising the toll to offset and  
38 mitigate the impacts of traffic generated by Indian reservation  
39 gaming activities on nontribal communities in the state and to  
40 finance projected future improvements to the access roads.

41       (3) The department shall present its findings and  
42 recommendations in a report to be submitted to the Governor, the  
43 President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of

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44 Representatives by January 15, 2008. The report may include  
45 department recommendations for proposed legislation.

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48 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

49 Remove line 266 and insert:

50 purposes; directing the Department of Transportation to conduct  
51 a study on the access roads to pari-mutuel facilities and Indian  
52 reservation lands where gaming activities occur; providing for  
53 the content of the study; requiring a report to the Governor and  
54 the Legislature; providing an effective date.